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Saturday August 7th 1869

First part fresh breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering East under Easy sail middle and latter part variable wind with heavy rain squally ship steering to the Eastward Saw one sail no Obs

Sunday Aug 8th

Commences with variable winds and rainy weather ship steering East under Topsails and courses middle and latter heavy rain and squally at meridian double reefed the Topsails
no Obs

Monday Aug 9th

Commences with the wind from S.W. with heavy rain and squally ship Steering East under double reefed Topsails middle part heavy rain storm with Squally from the South took in the main sail and fore Topsail latter part wind from north with clear weather at daylight made sail and Steered East crew employed in ship duty
no Obs

Tuesday Aug 10th

First part fresh breeze from North with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail middle and latter part moderate breeze from N.E. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in ship duty
Lat 41°01'N

Wednesday Aug 11th

First part calm with clear weather middle and latter part moderate breeze from S.E. ship by the wind heading to the N.E. under all sail crew employed in working on the rigging at 6 P.M. Lowered the boats exercised the crew

Lat 41°00'N
Long 49°45'W

Steering to the Eastward

Thursday August 12th

First part moderate breeze from Southward with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail. Middle and latter part strong breeze from S.E. weather Cloudy crew employed in ship duty

no Obs.

Friday Aug 13th

Commences with strong breeze from S.E. with Cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail at 4 P.M took in the light sails at 6 do. double reefed the Topsails and furled the jib and spanker at 7 do the wind hauled to the South with heavy rain took in the main sail and fore Topsail Middle part moderate gale from West took in the fore sail and close reefed the main Topsail ship hove to heading to the south latter part more moderate kept off course E.S.E. and made sail

no Obs

Saturday Aug 14th

First part strong breeze from west with cloudy weather ship steering E.S.E. under main gallant sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from north weather clear crew employed in ship duty

Lat 43°.19' N
Long 41°.40' W

Sunday Aug 15th

First part light breeze from N.E. with fine weather ship steering S.S.E. under all sail Middle part strong breeze with drizzling weather latter part blowing fresh and rugged wind from S.W. took in the light sails and double reefed the Topsails at 5 A.M wore ship to the Eastward

Lat 42°.55' N
Long 39°.55' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Monday August 16th
First part moderate gale from S.W. [illegible] clear weather ship by the wind heading to the S.S.E. at sundown took in the fore and mizen Topsail and close reefed the main Topsail
middle and latter part wind from West with rainy weather Ship by the wind heading to the South
Lat. 42° 51' N
Long 38° 47' W

Tuesday Aug 17th
First part moderate breeze from west with cloudy weather ship steering South under all sail at dark took in sail for the night
middle and latter part light airs and calm crew employed in ~~the~~ strapping the tackle Blocks
Saw a sail
Lat. 42° 14' N
Long 38° 03' W

Wednesday Aug 18th
Commences with calm at 6 P.M. took a light breeze from S.E. with rain ship by the wind heading to the South under easy sail
middle and latter part strong winds and ruggy took in the Light sails and double reefed the Topsail crew employed in ship duty
Lat. 41° 34' N
Long 36° 50' W

Thursday Aug 19th
Commences with strong winds and ruggy wind from westward ship by the wind heading to the South under double reef Topsails middle and latter part the same crew employed in ship duty Saw a sail
Lat. 40° 32' N
Long 35° 06' W

Friday Aug 20th
First part strong breeze from W.S.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the South under double reef Topsails at sundown wore ship to the N.W. middle and latter part more moderate at daylight steered off different courses crew employed in ship duty Saw one sail
Lat. 39° 45' N
Long 34° 57' W

Steering to the Eastward in the North Atlantic

Saturday August 21st 1869

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with hazy weather Ship steering E.S.E. under easy sail at sundown luffed to the wind heading to the N.W. and shorten sail Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight steered off N.E. and made sail. at 7 A.M. raised a large Sperm Whale going to the windward quick lowerd three boats in chace

no Obs.

Sunday Aug 22nd

Commences with moderate breeze from W.S.W. with fine weather Ship working to the windward at 2 P.M the boats returned to the Ship without success the whale going so fast to the windward that we did not see him out of the boats Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight steered East and made sail

Lat. 40°21' N
Long 34°48' W

Monday Aug 23rd

First part moderate breeze from westward with fine weather Ship steering N.E. under all sail at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind heading to the north Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight steered North and made sail bent new sails Crew employed in ship duty

Lat. 41°55' N
Long 34°55' W

Tuesday Aug 24th

Commences with strong breeze from S.W. with hazy weather Ship steering N.N.E. at dark luffed to the wind heading to the N.W. and took in sail Middle part the same latter part moderate gale with rainy weather Ship hove to under double reef Topsails courses and jib furled no Obs

Wednesday Aug 25th

First part light gale from S.W. with heavy rain Ship hove to heading to the N.W. at 6 P.M took in the fore Topsail and close reefed the main Middle and latter part the wind the same with heavy rain Storm Saw a sail steering to the East

No. Obs

Bark Matilda Sears Steering

Thursday August 26th

First part light gale from S. W. with rain storm ship hove to heading to the Northwest under close reef Topsails Middle and latter part more moderate with rain squalls at daylight made sail and steered North crew employed in ship duty saw two sails

Lat. 43° 45' N
Long 37° 10' W

Friday Aug 27th

First part moderate breeze from S. W. with heavy swell weather clear ship steering N. E. at sundown wore ship to the S. E. and took in sail latter part strong breeze with foggy squalls at daylight steered S. E. by E. crew employed in ship duty saw two sails

Lat. 43° 58' N
Long 35° 22' W

Saturday Aug 28th

First part fresh breeze from W. N. W. with muggy weather ship steering S. E. under easy sail, Middle and latter part more moderate at daylight made sail and steered East crew employed in fitting fore Topsail lifts saw a sail

Sunday Aug 29th

First part moderate breeze from north with cloudy weather ship steering East at sundown took in sail and luffed ~~to~~ the wind heading to the Eastward Middle part the same latter part Calm

Lat. 43° 37' N
Long 34° 47' W

Monday Aug 30th

Commences with Calm at 4 P. M. took a light breeze from North ship by the wind heading to the East at dark took in the light sails Middle and latter part light breeze from S. E. with hazy weather Ship heading to the Eastward at daylight made sail crew employed in fitting the main Topsail and gallant lifts

Lat. 43° 42' N
Long 34° 20' W

Cruising for Sperm Whales. 1869

Tuesday August 31st

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at sundown took in sail Middle and latter the same at daylight made sail crew employed in tarring the head stays and fore Topm back stays and doing other jobs about the ship,

Lat. 44°.22 N
Long 33°.39' W

~~Wednesday Aug. 1st~~

Wednesday September 1st

First part moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the East under easy sail Middle part the same latter part wind from S.S.W. ship heading to the S.E. crew employed in tarring down the new rigging and doing other jobs about the ship saw two sail

Lat. 44°.57' N
Long 32°.55' W

Thursday Sept. 2nd

First part light breeze from S.S.W. with fine weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under Easy sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in ship duty saw the sails steering to the Eastward

Lat. 44°.48' N

Friday Sept. 3rd

First part moderate breeze from S. W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all sail at dark took in the light sails middle part wind from west latter part wind from N. W. with foggy squally ship steering S.S.W. crew employed in ship duty saw two sails

Lat. 42°.23' N
Long 30°.34' W

Saturday Sept. 4th

First part fresh breeze from north with clear weather ship steering S. W. by W. under Topsails and main gallant Middle and latter part moderate breeze from N.E. at 11, A.M. sighted the Islands of Corvo and Flores bearing S.E. crew employed in ship duty saw two sails

Lat. 40°.06' N
Long 31°.58' W

Bark C. Matilda Sears)

Sunday September 5th

First part moderate breeze from N.E. with fine weather ship steering course W.N.W. under easy sail Middle and latter part light airs saw one sail

Lat. 39° 01' N
Long 32° 33' W

Monday Sept 6th

Commences with Calm Middle and latter part light breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on the Southern tack under all sail crew employed in get out bread and water out of the fore hold Saw a number of vessels Spoke the Schooner Anna Grant of New Bury port

Lat. 38° 33' N
Long 32° 44' W

Tuesday Sept 7th

First part Moderate breeze from W.S.W. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.S.W. under all sail Middle and latter part wind the same the cloudy weather crew employed in ship duty

no Obs)

Wednesday Sept 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from West the fog squalls Ship by the wind and heading to the S.S.W. at 3 P.M. the wind hauled to the north light Ship heading the west
Middle and latter part light breeze Ship steering west crew employed in odd jobs about the Ship

Lat. 36° 00' N
Long 33° 45' W

Thursday Sept 9th

First part light airs and Calm Ship by the wind heading to the westward at sundown took in the light sails
Middle and latter part light breeze from N.W. with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other jobs about the Ship Saw ~~two~~ sails

Lat. 35° 13' N
Long 35° 18' W

Cruising for Sperm Whales 1869

Friday September 10th

Commences with light breeze from North with fine weather ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other odd jobs about the ship Spoke the Bark Wave

Lat. 35° 00' N
Long 36° 00' W

Saturday Sept. 11th

Commences with light breeze from north with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail middle and latter part light airs crew employed in ship duty Saw a sail

Lat. 35° 01' N
Long 36° 14' W

Sunday Sept. 12th

Commences with light airs from N.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all sail Middle and latter part light airs from S.E. ship steering N.N.E. saw a sail steering to the Eastward

Lat. 35° 18' N
Long 36° 11' W

Monday Sept. 13th

Commences with light airs from South with pleasant weather ship steering N.N.E. under easy sail Middle part layed aback heading to the S.E. latter part Moderate breeze from S.W. Steered off different courses crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw two sails Spoke the Schooner Express Saw black fish Lowered for them but no success

no Obs

Tuesday Sept. 14th

Commences with Moderate breeze from S.W. with fine weather ship steering different courses under all sail at sundown took in sail and luffed to heading to the west. Middle and latter part fresh breezes at daylight Steered off. East and set all sail crew employed in ship duty Saw a sail

Lat. 35° 59' N
Long 35° 45' W

Bark Matilda (Sears)

Thursday September 23rd

Commences with fresh breeze from South with fog squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail Middle and latter part wind the same Ship by the wind heading to the westward crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other jobs about the Ship Saw one sail

Lat. 35° 26' N
Long 25° 45' W

Friday Sept. 24th

Commences with moderate breeze from South Ship by the wind heading to the westward under all sail Middle and latter part wind the same Ship by the wind on Opposite tacks crew employed in setting the rigging Saw a sail. Steering to the Eastward

Lat. 34° 50' N
Long 26° 00 W

Saturday Sept. 25th

First part light breeze from West with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the South under all Sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from north Ship Steering course S. S. W. crew employed in getting out water and doing other jobs about the ship saw one Sail

Lat. 33° 05' N
Long 26° 09' W

Sunday Sept. 26th

Commences with moderate breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship by Steering course S. by W. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 31° 01' N
Long 26° 00' W

Steering to the Southward 1869

Monday Sept. 27th

First part moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering Course S. by W. under all sail. Middle and latter part Fresh breeze from N.E. crew employed in setting up the head stays and fitting them and set up the fore topmast and gallant mast back stays

Lat. 28°21' n
Long 26°00' w

Tuesday Sept. 28th

Commences with strong breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship steering course S.S.W. under all sail Middle and latter the same crew employed in fitting the rigging and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 25°18' n
Long 26°23' w

Wednesday Sept. 29th

Commences with strong breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship steering course S. by W. under all sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in fitting the rigging and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 22°10' n
Long 26°12' w

Thursday Sept. 30th

Commences with strong breeze from N.E. with pleasant the weather ship steering course S. by W. under all sail. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in fitting foot ropes and mizzen rigging Saw two sails

Lat. 19°14' n
Long 25°58' w

Bark. Matilda Sears

Friday October 1st

Commences with Strong breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship steering course S. by W. under all sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in fitting the mizzen rigging and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 16° 13' n
Long 25° 51' w

Saturday Oct 2nd

Commences with fresh breeze from East ship steering course S. by W. under all sail middle part the same latter part wind from E. S. E. with rain squalls ship by the wind heading to the south took in the light sails crew employed in geting water out of the fore hold and doing other jobs about the ship saw two sails

Lat. 13° 14' n

Sunday Sept 3rd

First part variable winds and squally rainy weather ship working to the South at sundown set the light sails Middle part light breeze from South at midnight wore ship to the Eastward latter part calm saw three vessels

Lat. 12° 21' n
Long 25° 18' w

Monday Sept 4th

Commences with calm middle part light airs from N.E. ship steering course S. by E. latter part moderate breeze with fine weather ship steering S. by E. under all sail crew employed in setting up the main rigging and fitting the mizzen rigging saw three sails

Lat. 11° 08' n
Long 24° 44' w

Steering to the South in the N. Atlantic 1869

Tuesday October 5th

Commences with fine breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship steering course S. by E. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from E.S.E. with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the South crew employed in washing ship inside and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 9° 20' N
Long 24° 18' W

Wednesday Oct 6th

Commences with light breeze from S.E. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the S.S.W. under all sail At 5. P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. as do tacked ship to the Eastward Middle part wind from west ship steering course S. by E. latter part variables winds with rainy weather

no Obs

Thursday Oct 7th

Commences with variable winds from west to S.W. with rainy weather ship working to the Southward under all sail Saw black fish lowered but with out success Middle and latter part light breeze from N.W. to N.E. ship steering course S. by E. crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw three Sails and a steamer

Lat. 7° 20' N
Long 22° 05' W

Friday Oct 8th

Commences with light variable airs ship steering S. by E. under all sail Middle part wind the same with some rain latter part light variable winds with clear weather crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw two Sails

Lat. 6° 11' N
Long 22° 02' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Saturday October 9th

Commences with light variable wind with clear weather Ship working to the South under all sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze from Southward Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat 5° 39' n
Long 20° 02' w

Sunday Oct 10th

Commences with moderate breeze from Southward with mist weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail Middle and latter part light airs and calm with pleasant weather Ship by the wind waking to the South

Lat 5° 32' n
Long 19° 03' w

Monday Oct 11th

Commences with light airs and calm with pleasant weather Ship by the wind working to the South under all sail Middle and latter part the same took in the four boats marked water lines on them and put them on the cranes again and done other jobs about the Ship

Lat 4° 58' n

Tuesday Oct 12th

Commences with light airs and calm Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all sail Middle and latter part Calm crew employed in breaking out the main hatch for water and other things got 25 bbls of water and put it in the tank and filled the cask with salt water

no Obs

Steering to the South 1869

Wednesday October 13th

Commences with calm middle and latter part light variable airs with rain squalls ship by the wind heading to the southward under all sail finished stowing off the main hold

No Obs

Thursday Oct 14th

Commences with light variable winds with rain squalls ship by the wind working to the Southward middle and latter part fresh breeze from South with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the westward under all sail

no Obs

Friday Oct 15th

Commences with fresh breeze from South with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the W.S.W. middle and latter part wind the same with clear weather crew employed in repairing the fore gallant sail and doing other jobs about the Ship

Lat. 2° 26' N
Long 20° 46' W

Saturday Oct 16th

Commences with fine breeze from South with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the W.S.W. under all sail middle and latter part the same crew employed in Breaking out the after hold for provisions

Lat. 1° 00' N
Long 22° 58' W

Sunday Oct 17th

Commences with fine breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the W.S.W. under all sail middle and latter part the same

Lat. 20 miles S.
Long 24° 32' W

Bark Matilda Sears.

Monday October 18th

Commences with fine breeze from Southward with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the W. S. W. under all sail Middle and latter part the wind from S. S. E. Ship heading S. W. crew employed in riving new lizards to the fore rigging and painted the Starboard boat under the ceiling

Lat. 2°53' S.
Long 26°11' W

Tuesday Oct 19th

First part fresh breeze from S. S. E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. W. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from S. E. ship heading S. S. W. painted the Starboard boat out side and done other jobs about the ship Saw black fish lowered for them but didnt get any Saw one sail

Lat. 5°14' S.
Long 27°05' W

Wednesday Oct 20th

Commences with fresh trades ship by the wind on the southern tack under all Sail Middle and latter part the same Saw one Sail and Black fish lowered for them but with out Success crew employed in working on the rigging and painting the larboard boat inside

Lat. 8°08' S.

Thursday Oct 21st

Commences with fresh trades with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all Sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in working on the rigging and painted the larboard boat out side Saw other sails

Lat 10°40' S.
Long 27°55' W

Steering to the Southward 1869

Friday Oct 22nd

First part fresh trades with fine weather Ship by the wind on the Southern tack under all sail, Middle and latter part the same crew employed in working on the rigging and painted the waist boat in side

Lat. 13° 20' S.

Saturday Oct 23rd

Commences with fine breeze with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward Middle and latter part of the same crew employed in painting the waist boat out side and the bow boat inside and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 15° 33' S.
Long 27° 17 W

Sunday Oct 24th

First part moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the southward under all sail Middle and latter part the same Saw one sail

Lat. 18° 04' S.
Long 29° 03' W

Monday Oct 25th

Commences with fresh trades with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the southward under all sail Middle and latter part wind from East at daylight Sighted the Island of Trinidad bearing S.S.W. Ship steering S. by W. at 11 A. M. passed between the Island and Martin Vaz Rocks heading to the South crew employed in painting the bow boat and doing other jobs about the Ship

Lat. 20° 36' S.
Long 28° 49 W

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday Oct 26th

Commences with moderate breeze from E. N. E. with fine weather Ship steering S. by W. under all sail Middle and latter part the wind from North Laid one sail steering to the Eastward crew employed in ships duty

Lat 28° 50' S.
Long 29° 02' E

Wednesday Oct 27th

Commences with moderate breeze from North with Cloudy weather Ship steering course S. S. W. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in setting up the main stay and putting up the main stay sail stay

Lat. 24° 59' S.
Long 29° 17' E

Thursday Oct. 28th

First part moderate breeze from North with cloudy weather Ship steering course S. S. W. under all drawing Sail Middle part of the same latter part wind the same with rainy weather at meridian the weather cleared up

Lat. 29° 40' S.
Long 29° 37' E

Friday Oct 29th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with clear weather Ship steering course S. S. W. under all drawing sail at 12. P. M. the wind hauled to the westward Middle and latter part the same crew employed in painting the boats over on the house and doing other jobs about the Ship

Lat. 30° 16' S.
Long 29° 55' E

Steering to the South 1869

Saturday Oct 30th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with clear weather ship steering S.S.W. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from westward Saw a ship steering to the north crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 32° 32' S.
Long 30° 07' E

Sunday Oct 31st

Commences with moderate breeze from westward with clear weather ship steering course S. by W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind from the north with thick weather no Obs.

Monday November 1st

First part moderate breeze from north with thick weather ship steering course S. by W. under all drawing sail Middle part Fresh breeze from N. to N.E. rainy weather and and some lightning latter part variable winds with rainy weather took in the light sail

Lat. 36° 13' S.

Tuseday Nov 2nd

Commences with variable winds with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under easy sail at sundown took in sail for the night Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.W. with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. crew employed in odd jobs about the ship

Lat. 36° 44' S.
Long 28° 45' E

Barke Matilda Sears

Wednesday November 3rd

Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with Squally weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under Easy sail at sundown wore ship to the westward and took in sail for the night Middle and latter part weather the same ship by the wind on Opposite tacks, under Easy sail crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 36° 50' S.
Long 28° 59' W

Thursday Nov 4th

First part Moderate breeze from Southward with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the westward at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part wind from Eastward at 2 A.M. steered off west employed in repairing the fore Topmast stay sail and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 37° 07.
Long 28° 14' W

Friday Nov 5th

First part moderate breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship steering course West at sundown took in sail luffed to the wind heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part wind from North with rainy weather at 2 A.M. wore ship to the Eastward no Obs

Saturday Nov 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with thick rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under Easy sail Middle and latter part wind from westward with squally weather at daylight steered off East crew employed in ship duty

Lat. 36° 57' S.
Long 28° 35' W.

Cruising for Right Whales 1869

Sunday November 7th

First part fresh breeze from westward with squally weather ship steering to the Eastward under easy sail at sundown wind blowing fresh took in fore sail and fore topsail and double reefed the main topsail middle and latter part the same at 6 A.M. wore ship to the southward

Lat 36° 40' S.
Long 27° 39' W

Monday Nov 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from westward with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward under Easy sail middle and latter part more moderate saw a sail

Lat. 37° 28' S.
Long 26° 06' W

Tuesday Nov 9th

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward at sundown tacked ship to the Northwest and took in sail Middle and latter part wind from N.W. at daylight wore ship to the S.W. crew employed in different jobs about the ship saw one sail

Lat. 38° 00' S.
Long 25° 56' W

Wednesday Nov 10th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the North at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part weather the same ~~at~~ ship on opposite tacks crew employed in straping the topsails braces blocks and doing other jobs about the ship saw a sail steering to the Eastward

Lat. 36° 50' S.
Long 25° 45' W

Bark Matilda Sears)

Thursday November 11th

Commences with light breeze from N. W. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the south at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part calm crew employed in odd jobs about the ship

Lat. 37° 05' S.
Long 25° 45' W

Friday Nov 12th

First part moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship steering course west under all drawing sail at sundown took in sail Middle part wind from S.E. with rainy weather Ship steering west latter part wind the same with foggy weather at 6 A. M. luffed to the wind heading to the south

Saturday Nov 13th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with foggy weather Ship by the wind heading to the southward under easy sail, Middle and latter part wind from the northward weather foggy

Lat. 38° 15' S.

Sunday Nov 14th

Commences with light breeze from north with foggy weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail at 2 P. M. the wind hauled to the westward at do wore ship to the north Middle and latter part fresh breeze with thick weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks

Lat. 37° 45' S.
Long 27° 18' W

Cruiseing for Right Whales 1869

Monday Nov 15th

First part fresh breeze from the north with hazy weather ship steering East at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind heading to the northeast Middle part the wind hauled to the west latter part moderate gale from west with squally weather at daylight steered off East and made all bearing sail

Lat 37°:03' S.
Long 25°:43' W

Tuesday Nov 16th

First part light gale from west with squally weather ship steering course East at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind on the northern tack Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight kept off East and made sail saw a sail

Lat. 36°:10' S.
Long 22°:21' W

Wednesday Nov 17th

Commences with moderate gale from west with squally weather at meridian steered S. E. by E. at 2 P. M. steered S. E. at sundown more moderate Middle and latter part light gale from North with clear weather at 7. A. M steered E. S. E.

Lat. 37°:02' S.

Thursday Nov 18th

Commences with light gale from North with clear weather ship steering course E. S. E. under all bearing sail at 2. P. M commenced to rain took in the maingallant sail at dark double reefed the main Topsail Middle and latter part wind from the westward more moderate saw a sail steering to the East

Lat. 36°:53' S.
Long 16°:04' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday November 19th

First part moderate breeze from W.N.W. with heavy swell from Southwest ship steering course S.E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter weather the same at daylight steered E.S.E. at 11 A.M. raised one of the Tristan Islands bearing East

Lat. 37°:37' S.
Long 13°:25' W

Saturday Nov 20th

First part fresh breeze from West with clear weather ship steering E. by N. under all drawing sail at sundown took in sail at 5 Tristan Island bore E.N.E. 30 miles dist saw two sails Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight steered off S.E. by E. at meridian Tristan d'Acunha bore S.W. 20 miles dist crew employed in ship duty

Sunday Nov 21th

First part fresh breeze from N.W. with clear weather ship steering S.E. by E. under all drawing sail at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind on the southern tack saw a ship steering to the East Middle part the same latter part more moderate with the wind from the North at daylight steered E.N.E. the Island of Tristan d'Acunha in sight

Lat. 36°:59' S.
Long 10°:11' W

Monday Nov 22nd

Commences with moderate breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering S.E. at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind heading to the westward Middle and latter part light gale from the North with rainy weather at 11 A.M. the wind hauled to the South

No Obs

Cruising for Right Whales 1869

Tuesday Nov 23rd

First part light gale from the South with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part more moderate with clear weather at daylight made sail and headed to the East

Lat. 36° 46' S.
Long 8° 00' W

Wednesday Nov 24th

Commences with moderate breeze from South with clear weather Ship by the wind heading E.S.E. at sundown took in sail the hauled to the west at daylight steered S.E. with the wind from N.W. and made all sail

Lat. 37° 50' S.
Long 6° 10' W

Thursday Nov 25th

First part fresh breezes from S.W. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.E. under all sail Middle part light airs latter part calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 38° 13' S.
Long 4° 22' W

Friday Nov 26th

First part calm with cloudy weather Middle part light airs from S.W. ship steering S.E. by E. latter part calm crew employed in drawing yarns for Spunyarn

Lat. 38° 11' S.
Long 3° 35' W

Saturday Nov 27th

First part light airs and calm with pleasant weather ship steering S.E. by E. Middle part calm latter part light airs from East ship steering S.E. crew employed in making Spunyarn and painting the iron work outside and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat 38° 23' S.
Long 2° 57' W

Bark Matilda, Sears.

Sunday November 28th

Commences with a light breeze from the north with pleasant weather Ship Steering S.E. with all sail set middle part the same latter part fresh breeze ship steering S.E. by E. said a ship steering to the East

Lat. 39°.27' S.
Long 54 miles E

Monday Nov 29th

First part Strong breeze from north with hazy weather ship steering S.E. by E. under all sail Middle part light breeze with thick weather latter part calm crew employed in washing ship in side

Lat. 39°.50' S.
Long 3°.58' E.

Tuesday Nov [illegible]0th

Commences with calm with clear weather at 3. P.M got light airs from N.W. Steered S.E. by E. under all drawing sail middle and latter part light airs crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 39°.55' S.
Long 5°.46' E.

Wednesday ~~W~~ December 1st

First part light breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering course S.E. under all sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze with hazy weather crew employed in cleaning the iron-work to the windlass and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 40°.58' S.
Long 7°.46' E.

Steering to the Eastward 1869

Thursday December 2nd

First part moderate breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship steering course S.E. by E. under all drawing sail middle and latter part weather the same crew employed in ship's duty

Lat. 40°45' S.
Long 10°18' E.

Friday Dec 3rd

First part moderate breeze from N.W. with clear weather ship steering course S.E. under all drawing sail middle and latter part light airs and calm with foggy weather crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 40°53' S.
Long 12°08' E.

Saturday N Dec 4th

First part light airs from N.W. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part light breeze from N.W. crew employed in breaking out the blubber room and stowed away the royal yards and gallant studding sail booms

Lat. 41°26' S.
Long 14°00' E.

Sunday Dec 5th

Commences with light breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.E. by S. under all drawing sail Middle part light breeze from the South latter part wind from E.S.E. with fog squalls ship by the wind heading to the south Saw three sail heading to the South

Lat. 41°51' S.
Long 15°05' E.

Bark. Matilda Sears

Monday Dec 6th

First part fresh breeze from E. S. E. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the South under all sail Middle part fresh breeze from E.N.E. with squally weather at 2 A.M the fore Topsail sheet parted but no damage done latter part light breeze from north with foggy weather Ship steering course S.E. by E.
no Obs

Tuesday Dec 7th

Commences with light variable breeze with clear weather ship steering course S.E. by E under all drawing sail at 7 P.M took squall from N.W with strong breeze middle and latter part strong breeze from N.W. with squally weather ship steering S.E. said a sail

Lat 43° 04' S.
Long 21° 19 E.

Wednesday Dec 8th

First part light gale from N. W. with squally weather ship steering course S.E. under all drawing sail at 3 P.M Signallised the English ship ~~Celina~~ Celeano steering to the Eastward Middle and latter part wind from N.N.W. with thick weather at daylight steered S.E. by E. Ship under all bearing sail

Lat 42° 58' S.
Long 26° 30' E.

Thursday Dec 9th

Commences with moderate gale from N.W. with clear weather at meridian steered S.E. by S. ship under all bearing sail Middle part light variable breeze latter part moderate breeze from N.W. with thick rainy weather

no Obs

Steering to the Eastward 1869

Friday Dec 10th

First part light variable breeze with thick rainy weather Ship steering S.E. by E. under all drawing sail Middle part wind and weather the same latter part moderate gale from the W.N.W. with squally weather Ship steering S.E. by S. under all sail Saw a sail steering to the East

Lat. 45° : 16' S.
Long 32° : 08' E.

Saturday Dec 11th

First part light gale from W.N.W. with squally weather Ship steering course S.E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Saw a sail

Lat. 45° : 31' S.
Long 36° : 30' E.

Sunday Dec 12th

First part light gale from N.W. with squally weather Ship steering S.E. by E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze with fair weather Ship steering E.N.E.

Lat. 45° : 18' S.

Monday Dec 13th

First part fresh breeze from W.N.W. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.E. by E. ½ E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part Strong winds from west with squally weather weather got out a new main gallant sail and bent it and took the old one and bent it foreward for fore gallant sail

Lat. 45° : 27' S.
Long 44° : 40 E.

Barke Matilda Sears Steering

Thursday Dec 23rd

First part strong winds from South with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading E. S. E. at meridian set main gallant sail and flying jib sail a ship steering the Eastward Middle and latter part wind and weather the same

Lat. 43° 30' S.
Long 77° 13' E.

Friday Dec 24th

First part fresh breeze from South with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading E. S. E. under all bearing sail at 6 P. M. raised a right whale to the windward but no chance to get him being to late to lower Middle part light breeze latter part calm with a large swell from the South

Lat. 42° 57' S.
Long 78° 18' E.

Saturday Dec 25th

First part calm with cloudy weather Middle part the same latter part light airs from N. W. Ship steering to the Southward under all sail

Lat. 43° 23' S.
Long 78° 50' E.

Sunday Dec 26th

First part light variable airs with cloudy weather Ship Steering S. E. under all sail Middle and latter part light airs from N. W. with foggy weather Ship Steering course S. E.

Lat. 43° 39' S.
Long 79° 59' E.

To the Eastward in the India Ocean 1869

Monday Dec 27th

First part light breeze from N. W. with clear weather Ship steering course S. E. under all sail. Middle and latter part moderate breeze from N. W. with cloudy weather crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 43°. 57' S.
Long 83°. 35 E.

Tuesday Dec 28th

First part fresh breeze from West with clear weather Ship steering course S.E. by E. under all sail Middle and latter part strong winds from west to W.N.W.

Lat. 44°. 00' S.
Long 88°. 46' E.

Wednesday Dec 29th

First part fresh breeze from west with clear weather Ship steering course S. E. by E. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from N. W. with thick weather Ship under all drawing sail

no Obs.

Thursday Dec 30th

First part fresh breeze from N. W. with thick weather Ship steering course S. E. by E under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind from west with clear weather

Lat. 44°. 31' S.
Long 97°. 15' E.

Friday Dec 31st

First part. Strong winds from W. N. W. with clear weather Ship steering course E. S. E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part moderate gale with squally weather

Lat. 44°. 34' S.
Long 102°. 12' E.

Bark S. Matilda Sears, Steering

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Saturday January 1st

First part moderate gale from W. N. W. with Squally weather Ship Steering Course E. S. E. under all drawing Sail Middle part more moderate latter part the wind hauled to the S. W. with clear weather Ship under all Sail.

Lat. 44° 23' S.
Long 106° 31 E.

Sunday Jan 2nd

First part fresh breeze from W. S. W. with Squally weather Ship Steering course E. S. E. under all Sail Middle and latter part wind from S. W. to west

Lat. 44° 24' S.
Long 110° 48 E.

Monday Jan 3rd

First part Moderate breeze from S. W. to W. N. W. with clear weather Ship Steering course E. S. E. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part wind from W. N. W. with cloudy weather

Lat. 44° 50' S.
Long 114° 16' E.

Tuesday Jan 4th

First part moderate breeze from W. N. W. with fog Squally Ship Steering E. by. S. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part the same

Lat 44° 44' S.
Long 118° 45' E.

Wednesday January 5th

First part Strong wind from west with clear weather Ship Steering course E. ½ S. under all sail middle and latter part light gale

Lat. 44° 25' S.
Long 123° 22' E.

Thursday Jan 6th

First part light gale from west with Squally weather Ship Steering course E ½ S. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze with clear weather Said a sail Steering to the Eastward

Lat. 44° 11' S.
Long 127° 14' E.

Friday Jan 7th

First part fresh breeze from W. N. W. with cloudy weather Ship Steering course E. ½ S. under all drawing sail middle part light gale from N. W. with thick weather at 8. A. M the wind hauled to the west blowing fresh gale with Squalls Ship Steering course East under all drawing sail

Lat. 44° 29' S.
Long 132° 13' E.

Saturday July 8th

First part. fresh gale from west with Squally weather Ship Steering course E. by N. all drawing sail whole main Topsail and main gallant sail Middle and latter part Strong gale at 8. P. M. took the main gallant sail at 9. A. M double reefed the main Topsail blowing Strong gale with heavy Squalls from W. S. W.

Lat 43° 52' S.
Long 137° 00' E.

Bark Matilda Sears. Steering

Sunday January 9th First part fresh gale with heavy Squalls from W.S.W. Ship Steering course E. by N. under double reef main topsail and fore sail at Sundown more moderate turned the reefs out of the main topsail and set the fore topsail close reefed Middle part moderate breeze with heavy Swell latter part the wind hauled to the N.W. made all sail

Lat. 43° 21' S.
Long 140° 26' E.

Monday Jan 10th First part fresh breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather Ship Steering course East under all drawing sail Middle and latter part Strong winds at 5 A.M. took in the fore gallant sail and gaff topsail

Lat. 43° 50' S.
Long 145° 32' E.

Tuesday Jan 11th First part Strong winds from N.W. with cloudy weather Ship Steering course E. by N. under all drawing sail at Sundown Sighted Vandiemens land bearing N.E. 15 miles dist at do took in sail for the night. Middle and latter part Strong winds from West with Squally weather and rugged Ship by the wind on Opposite tacks under double reef topsails at meridian Southwest Cape of Vandiemens land bore N.N.W. 20 miles dist

Wednesday Jan 12th Commences with Strong breeze from W.N.W. with hazy weather Ship by the wind on Opposite tack under double reef topsails Middle part a calm with foggy weather latter part the same at meridian Southwest Cape North 25 miles dist

to the Eastward in India Ocean 1870

Thursday January 13rd

First part moderate breeze from S.E. with rainy weather Ship Steering Course N.W.by.N. under easy sail Saw a sail to the leeward at Sundown took in Sail and luffed to the wind heading off Shore Middle and latter fresh breeze from S.E. with thick rainy weather Ship on Opposite tacks, under Easy Sail

no Obs

Friday Jan 14th

First part moderat gale from S.E. with thick rainy weather Ship heading to the N.E. at 4. P.M. wore Ship to the S.W. and close reefed the main topsail Middle part more moderate at 8. P.M. the Ship pitched into a Sea broke the Spritsailyard in two pieces Sprung the bowsprit by it breaking about half way off on the larboard Side causing it not to be Seaworthy latter part moderate breeze with fair weather at daylight the wind hauled to the westward Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at 11. A.M. wore Ship to the Southward Ship under easy sail to keep her from pitching on the account of the bowsprit being Sprung Crew employed in getting in the Spritsailyard and Setting up the jib and flying jib guys Saw a sail and the land

Lat 43.° 00.' S.
Long 144.° 34' E.

Saturday Jan 15th

First part moderate breeze from West with fair weather Ship Steering S.E. under topsails and fore sail with the head Sails furled on the account of the bowsprit being Sprung we are oblige to go in port to get a new bowsprit at 7. P.M. double reefed the topsails and luffed to the South Middle and latter part wind and weather the Same at daylight made sail and Steered East Southeast at Meridian Mewstone bore North 6. miles dist

Bark Matilda Sears. Steering

Sunday January 16th
First part moderate breeze from S. W. with cloudy weather ship running down the land to the Eastward At Sundown Tasmans head bore north 30 miles dist
Middle part weather the same latter part the wind moderated to calm At meridian Maria Island bore E. N. E. 40 miles dist

Monday Jan 17th
Commences with calm at 4. P. M a light breeze springing up from East & with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the north with the fore and main gallant Sail Set Saw two Sails inshore of us Middle part wind from west ship Steering course E N. E. latter part calm land in sight Sent down the fore topsail and repaired it Sent it up again and bend it

Lat. 42° 18' S.
Long 149° 40' E.

Tuesday Jan 18th
First part moderate breeze from S. E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. E. with the fore and main gallant sail set Middle part the wind hauled to the north put the Ship on the larboard tack and headed to the East latter part strong winds from the north with hazy weather took in the gallant sails and double reefed the topsails to keep the ship from pitching

Lat. 42° 14' S.
Long 152° 00' E.

Wednesday Jan 19th
First part fresh breeze from the north with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to the East under double reef topsails Middle part the wind hauled to the westward with rain at 6. A. M Steered course N. E. by E. latter part weather hazy

Lat. 41° 52' S.
Long 154° 40' E.

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Thursday January 20th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with hazy weather Ship Steering course N.E. by E. under whole main topsail and double reef fore topsail. Middle part hayed aback heading to the S.E. latter part wind from N.W. Steered N.E. by E. Sent down the main sail and ripped it up for patches

Lat. 41°39' S.
Long 156°23 E.

Friday Jan 21st

Commences with Strong breeze from N.W. with hazy weather Ship Steering course N.E. under topsails at 3 P.M. the wind hauled to the west at 5 do hauled to the S.W. Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from S.W. with fine weather crew employed in Shifting the cables put the big one on the Starboard Side and the Small on on the larboard side

Lat. 40°18' S.
Long 159°08' E.

Saturday Jan 22nd

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with fine weather Ship Steering course N.E. by E under fore and main gallant sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Sent down the fore gallant sail and Sheathed it all over and bend it again Saw a brig Steering to the westward

Lat. 39°26' S.
Long 161°28' E.

Sunday Jan 23rd

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather ship Steering course N.E. by E with the fore and main gallant sail set Middle and latter part wind from the south with clear weather

Lat. 38°34' S.
Long 164°01' E.

Bark. Matilda Sears, Steering Of

Monday January 24th

First part light breeze from S.Wth with pleasant weather Ship Steering course N. E. by E. with the gallant sails set Middle and latter part weather the same — broke out a new main sail and bent it and done other jobs about the ship

Lat. 37°. 58' S.
Long 165°. 13' E.

Tuesday Jan 25th

First part light airs from S. W. with pleasant weather Ship Steering course N.E. by E. with the fore and main gallant sail set Middle and latter part calm crew employed in warming ship out side Saw a steamer Steering to the westward

Lat. 37°. 40' S.
Long 166°. 01' E.

Wednesday Jan 26th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part light airs from N.E. Ship by the wind heading to the East Southeast crew employed in scraping the masts and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 38°. 03' S.
Long 166°. 38' E.

Thursday Jan 27th

First part light breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the E. S. E. Middle and latter part light airs and calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw a sail Steering to the East

Lat. 38°. 15' S.
Long 167°. 51' E.

Friday January 28th

Commences with light airs from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering N.E. Middle part weather the same latter part strong breeze and squally at 10 A.M. took in the gallant sails at 11 do raised black fish lowered for them without success at meridian double reefed the topsails Saw a sail

Lat. 34°45' S.
Long 169°44' E.

Saturday Jan 29th

Commences with strong winds from N.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.N.E. at 2 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. steered course N.N.E. at do turned the reefs out of the topsails Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.S.W. sent down the main topsail and fitted the back ropes and washed ship on side

Lat. 35°50' S.
Long 171°42' E.

Sunday Jan 30th

First part fresh breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering course North under all drawing sail at sundown took in the gallant sail and double reefed the topsail Middle and latter part moderate baffling winds at daylight made the land North end of New Zealand and the three Kings bearing to the Eastward luffed to the wind heading to the Eastward and set all sail at 8 A.M. passed the Kings to the South at meridian North Cape bore E by S. 25 miles dist

Bark. Matilda. Sears.

Wednesday Feb 9th

Strong winds from East. with clear weather crew employed in filling the ground tier with Salt water and Stowing off Provisions and Setting up Shooks for water

Thursday Feb 10th

Fresh breeze from the North with cloudy weather crew employed in Setting up Shooks and geting water at. 9. A. M. Sent a raft. ashore at. 6. P. M. got. off at 8 got. under way and warped the Ship off Shore at. midnight came to anchore agt. in the middle of the habor got. off a lanch load of wood and Stowed part of it.

Friday Feb. 11th

Fresh breeze from the North with raing weather crew employed in Stowing water down the main hold and got of three cask of water from Shore

Saturday Feb. 12th

Light breeze from the westward with clear weather crew employed in Stowing down water in the main hold and wood and Setting up Shooks Sent a raft. ashore and filled it last. night between 11 Oclock and three in the morning there was nine men runaway with the boat. that layed along side of the Ship there names as follow: William Roe, Charles Sanker, Boat. Steerer Henry Dickel, Cooper. John Lingkill. Henry Humke Charles Conning. Ives. Simons. James. M. Beberly. and John the Steerage boy, forward hands at 9. A. M. Sent the bow Boat in pursue of the deserters with a crew of Natives

Sunday Feb 13th

Fine weather nothing doing we have no clew of the deserters up to the present time

Monday February 14th Fine weather with the wind from the westward crew employed in Stowing water in the main hold. Setting up Shooks, and Stowing wood got off the remainder of the wood and sent a raft ashore to fill at noon the bow boat got back with the native from the Bay of Islands but no tidings of the deserter

Tuesday Feb. 15th Fine weather crew employed in getting off water and Stowing it in the main hold have not heard any thing from the deserter yet

Wednesday Feb 16th Fine weather crew employed in different jobs about the Ship took the Spar on board to make the bow Sprit and employed two men from the shore to work on it Sent down the fore gallant yard and housed the mast Sent in the jib boom and rigged Shears to take the bow Sprit out. loosed the sails and dried them heard nothing from the deserter

Thursday Feb. 17th Fresh breeze from the East with rainy weather crew employed in taking out the bow Sprit took it out and lashed it over board and took in on deck carpenters working on the new one

Friday Feb. 18th Strong breeze from S. W. with clear weather Carpenters to work on the new bow Sprit cut up the old one and found rotten in side and the wood on the outside all dead done number of jobs about the Ship loosed the sails and dried them

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday March 3rd
Fresh breeze with cloudy weather crew employed in painting out side and doing other jobs about the Ship

Friday March 4th
Strong westerly wind with Squally weather got off four casks of water and got the Ship ready for Sea

Saturday March 5th
Strong west winds with clear weather crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Sunday March 6th
Strong winds from the west with clear weather Capt. Gifford arrived today but got no clue to the runaways and Shipped nine men in there pleaces

Monday March 7th
ready for Sea but head wind could not get out hove up the Starboard Anchor and cleared it and came to by the Port one

Tuesday March 8th
Commences with light airs from Southward at 4 A.M. Sea account got under way and Stood to the Seaward at daylight Stowed the Anchors and chains broke out the Slop chest and dealt clothing out to the men cleaned the Anchors and stowed them at meridian the land 30 miles dist Ship Steering course N.E. under all sail

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Wednesday March 9th Commence with fresh breeze from Southward with clear weather Ship Steering course N.E. under all sail at sundown took in sail for the night Middle and latter part weather the same Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward

Lat 34°:14' S.
Long 175°:52' E.

Thursday March 10th First part fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under easy sail Middle and latter part wind from N.E at meridian tacked Ship to the S.E. Said one sail crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 33°:08' S.
Long 176°:40' E.

Friday March 11th First part fresh breeze from N.E with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.E under Easy sail Middle and latter part calm crew employed in different jobs about the Ship got out butter and rice (out of the after hold

Lat. 34°:03' S.
Long 176°:44' E.

Saturday March 12th First part calm Middle and latter part light breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship Steering E by N. under all sail crew employed in cleaning the Sheaves of the davits and the boat tackles) and doing other jobs about the Ship

Lat. 24°:00' S.
Long 177°:50' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Sunday March 13th

First part light breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather Ship Steering course E.N.E. at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the Same.

Lat. 33°.48' S.
Long 179°.13' E.

Monday March 14th

First part light breeze from west with pleasant weather Ship Steering course N.E. at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part light airs from north Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in different jobs about the Ship painted the waist boat Saw four Sails

Lat. 33°.03' S.
Long 180°.00

Tuesday March 15th

First part light airs from north with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from the Southward Ship Steering off different courses looking for whales crew employed in different jobs about the Ship Saw two Sails

Lat. 33°.10' S.
Long 179°.38' W

Wednesday March 16th

Fresh breeze from the Southward with pleasant weather Ship Steering off different courses Spoke the Bark Tamalane At Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind Middle and latter part Strong winds from S.E. with rugged Sea Ship Steering various Courses Saw two Sails

Lat. 32°.52' S.
Long 179°.28' W

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Thursday March 17th

First part Strong winds from S.E. with Squally weather and rugged at Sundown took in Sail and luffed to the wind heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 4 A.M. wore ship to the S.W. Saw a sail

Lat. 32° 15' S.
Long 179° 46 E

Friday March 18th

First part Strong winds from S.E. with rugged weather at dark wore ship to the N.E. and took in Sail Middle and latter part wind the same with Squally weather at 4 A.M. wore ship to the South

Lat. 32° 30' S.

Saturday March 19th

First part Strong breeze from S.E. with squally weather and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the South under double reef topsails Middle and latter part weather the same Saw two Sails at 4 A.M. wore Ship to the N.E. Lat. 33° 03' S.
Long 179° 53 E.

Sunday March 20th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.E. under double reef topsails Middle and latter part more moderate Ship by the wind on Opposite tack

Lat. 32° 23' S.
Long 179° 30' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Monday March 21st

First part. fresh breeze from S.E. with squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under double reef topsails. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Ship by the wind on opposite tacks, Saw a sail

Lat. 33°. 07' S.
Long 179°. 58' W

Tuesday March 22nd

First part. fresh breeze from the S.E. with fair weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under double reef topsails Middle and latter part light airs with pleasant weather at midnight wore Ship to the South crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 33°. 03'. S.
Long 179°. 59' W

Wednesday March 23rd

First part. light airs from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind at meridian wore Ship to the South at Sundown wore Ship to the Eastward and took in sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze Ship by the wind heading to the N.E. crew employed in getting out provisions Saw a sail

Lat. 32°. 18' S.

Thursday March 24th

First part. fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.E. at Sundown took in sail and wore Ship to the South Middle and latter part moderate breeze at 8. A. M. wore Ship to the N.E. crew employed in different jobs about the Ship Saw a sail

Lat. 32°. 38' S.
Long 179°. 48' W

Cruiseing on the Meridian 1870

Friday / March 25th

First part moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather at Sundown took in sail Ship by the wind heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part fresh breeze with Squally weather at 8. A.M raised Sperm whales going to the windward. Saw the whales first two points off the weather bow made all sail and beat to the windward

Lat 31°44' S.

Saturday; March 26th

Commences with Strong wind from S.E. with Squally weather Ship beating to the windward at 1 P.M. took in the light sails at 2. do double reefed the topsails blowing fresh lost run of the whales they where going faster then the Ship could beat at 4. do took in all sail but double reef main topsail blowing moderate gale from the S.E. Middle and latter part moderate gale from S.E. Ship hove to heading to the S.W.

Lat. 31°56' S.
Long 178°53. W.

Sunday / March 27th

Commences with moderate gale from S.E. with clear weather Ship hove to heading to the S.W. under double reef main topsail and fore sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze with pleasant weather at 8. A. M wore Ship to the Eastward and made sail

Lat. 32°08' S.
Long 179°01 W

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Monday March 28th

First part Strong breeze from the S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part Moderate breeze with rain squalls at day light steered North under easy sail at (10) A.M. raised Sperm whales going to the E.S.E. lowered for them at meridian the boats in chase of the whales

no Obs

Tuesday March 29th

Commences with moderate breeze from E.S.E. with squally weather ship working to the windward after the whales at 2. P.M the boats returned to the ship with out success the whales going to the windward quick Middle and latter part fresh breeze from the East with pleasant weather at 7. A.M. raised Sperm whales off the weather beam going to the windward made sail and beat to the windward after the whales at meridian the ~~boats~~ ship working to the windward after the whales

Lat. 31°: 35' S.

Wednesday March 30th

Commences with fresh breeze from the East with pleasant weather ship beating to the windward after the whales at 1. P.M lowered three boats in chase but did not see the whales out of the boats at Sundown the boats returned to the ship whales going to the windward Middle and latter part Strong S.E. winds ship by the wind heading to the Southward

Lat. 32°: 23' S.
Long 178°: 04, W

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Thursday, March 31st

First part. Strong winds from E. S. E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part moderate gale from the East with rainy weather at 11. A. M. wore Ship to the South

no. Obs.

Friday April 1st

First part Moderate gale from the East with rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the South at Sundown took the boats up on the upper crains and close reefed the main topsail Middle part the same latter part strong winds from the South with Squally weather Ship heading to the westward Saw a sail

Lat. 31° 37' S.
Long 178° 05 W

Saturday April 2nd

Commences with fresh breeze from S. W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail Middle and latter part the same Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Saw two Sail

Lat. 31° 14' S.
Long 178° 00' W

Sunday April 3rd

First part fresh breeze from the South with heavy Swell and clear weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under easy Sail Middle and latter part light airs with pleasant weather Saw one sail

Lat. 31° 05 S.
Long 178° 10 W

Bark. (Matilda Sears)

Monday April 4th

Commences with light variable weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all sail. Spoke the Barks Live Oak. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Sighted the French Rock to the westward

Lat. 31°.23' S.

Tuesday April 5th

Commences with light variable winds with pleasant weather Ship heading to the Southward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part Strong winds from S.W. with rugged weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under double reef topsails Saw a sail.

Lat. 32°.16' S.
Long 136°.42' W

Wednesday April 6th

First part strong breeze from S.W. with squally weather and rugged at 4 P.M. wore Ship to the westward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part more moderate crew employed in odd jobs about the Ship

Lat. 32°.00' S.
Long 133°.40' W

Thursday April 7th

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in drawing yarns to make Spunyarn Saw a sail

Lat. 31°.16' S.
Long 138°.00' W

Cruising on the Meridian 1870

Friday April 8th
First part moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship on opposite tacks under easy sail at Sundown took in sail. Middle and latter part weather the same Ship by the wind heading to the Southwest crew employed in making Spunyarn

Lat. 31°:48' S.
Long 138°:06' W

Saturday April 9th
First part moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light airs crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other jobs about the Ship Saw one Sail

Lat. 32°:03' S.
Long 138°:31' W

Sunday April 10th
First part calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same Saw a sail

Lat. 32°:06' S.

Monday April 11th
First part calm with pleasant weather middle and latter part moderate breeze from North at daylight steered W.S.W. at 11 A.M. raised Sperm whales going to the East quick at meridian lowered for them Saw two Sails

Lat. 32°:15' S.

Bark Matilda, Sears

Tuesday April 12th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather boats in chase of the whales at 4 P.M. the Starboard Boat Struck and got a small whale at 5 do took the whale to the ship Middle and latter part strong breeze and rainy at daylight hooked on the whale at 10 A.M. finished cutting

no Obs.

Wednesday April 13th

First part strong breeze from the N.W. & with rainy weather crew employed in clearing away the head at 4 P.M. wore ship to the S.W. under easy sail Middle and latter part light breeze from west with clear weather at daylight commenced to boiling

Lat. 32°46' S.
Long 138°45' W

Thursday April 14th

Commences with light breeze from west with pleasant weather at sundown wore ship to the north and took in sail Middle and latter part calm finished boiling and cleared up the deck

Lat. 32°46' S.

Friday April 15th

First part calm with pleasant weather Middle part light breeze from East latter part fresh breeze from [illegible] E with squally weather Ship steering W. S. W. under all drawing sail Saw eight vessels Spoke the Bark Louisa

no Obs.

Steering to the Westward 1870

Saturday April 16th

First part strong breeze from South with squally rainy weather ship steering course W.S.W. at dark took in the mainsail and the fore topsail Middle and latter part heavy gale from S.E. with heavy squalls and rainy weather ship hove to heading to the S.W. at 8 A.M. took in the main topsail and turned up the starboard boat

No Obs.

Sunday April 17th

First part heavy gale from S.E. with squally rainy weather ship hove to heading to the S.W. under main spencer and fore topmast stay sail Middle and latter part more moderate at 3 A.M. set the main topsail close reefed at 10 do steered W. by S. and set double reef topsails and courses

Lat. 32° 06' S.
Long 177° 00' E.

Monday April 18th

First part moderate gale from S.E. with squally weather ship
4 steering course W. by S under double reef topsails and courses Middle and latter part wind more moderate with heavy swell running at 10 P.M. steered S.W.

Lat. 33° 19' S.
Long 172° 40' E.

Tuesday April 19th

First part Strong breeze from East with cloudy weather ship steering S. by W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part more moderate at daylight passed the Three Kings bearing west 5 miles dist crew employed in stowing the Oil down in the fore hold and breaking out provisions

Barke Matilda Sears

Wednesday April 20th

First part moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering course South under all sail Middle and latter part wind the same crew employed in get. out the fore and main staysails and getting ready to bend them

Lat. 36°:20' S.
Long 130°:45' E.

Thursday April 21th

First part moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering course South under all sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs about the ship fitted the fore stay sail and bend it

Lat. 38°:05' S.
Long 130°:20' E.

Friday April 22nd

First part moderate breeze from northwest to S. West cloudy weather ship heading to the south under all sail Middle and latter part wind from South ship by the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in different jobs about the ship bent the main stay sail and fitted a new cutting fall

Lat. 39°:04' S.
Long 130°:40' E.

Saturday April 23rd

First part light breeze from the south with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S W. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from East with cloudy weather ship heading to the south crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 40°:06' S.

Steering to the South 1870

Sunday April 24th

First part fresh breeze from north with cloudy weather ship steering South under all drawing sail Middle part fresh gale from the north with heavy rain took the main topsail latter part more moderate at midnight the wind hauled to the west with cloudy weather set the fore and main topsail close reefed and the storm staysails ship by the wind heading to the south.

Lat. 41° 35' S.
Long 166° 28' E.

Monday April 25th

First part fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather ship steering S.S.E. under easy sail Middle part calm latter part the wind hauled to the S.W. with squalls ship steering S.E.

Lat. 42° 42' S.
Long 167° E.

Tuesday April 26th

Commences with strong breeze from S.W. with squally weather ship steering S.E. under double reef topsails at 2 P.M. took in the fore topsail and hove to heading to the south wind blowing fresh at 4 do. took in the fore sail and main topsail blowing fresh gale from the S.W. with heavy squalls at 6 do wore ship to the N.W. Middle and latter part fresh gale with heavy squalls at meridian boarded a sea forward stoved the bow boat and unship the forward davit took in the davits and lashed the boat up

no Obs

Bark. Matilda Sears

Wednesday April 27th 1870

First part wind from S.W. more moderate at 4. P.M. wore ship to the southward and set the main topsail close reefed Middle part calm latter part strong breeze from the East Ship steering S.S.W. under all sail at daylight made the land 40 miles dist Saw two sails Refitted the bow boat davit.

Lat. 41° 56' S.

Thursday April 28th

First part moderate breeze from East with clear weather Ship steering S.S.W under all drawing sail, Middle and latter part wind the same land in sight 40 miles dist Crew employed in different jobs about the ship at sunset saw black fish lowered for them but with out success.

Lat. 43° 00' S.

Friday April 29th

First part moderate breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.W. by S. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze at 11 A.M. luffed to the wind heading N.N.W. saw a bark cutting at meridian Milford haven bore E.S.E. 40 miles dist

Saturday April 30th

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part wind the same with thick weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at meridian the land bearing E.S.E 15 miles dist

Cruising off West Coast N. Zealand

Sunday May 1st
First part moderate breeze from E.N.E. with thick rainy weather ship by the wind heading off shore at dark took in sail Middle part the wind hauled to the S.W. latter part moderate gale from S.W. with squally weather ship hove to heading in shore land in sight

Lat. 44° 26' S

Monday May 2nd
First part fresh gale from S.W. with squally weather at 4 P.M. wore ship to the west and took the boats on the upper cranes Middle and latter part strong breeze with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the west at Meridian wore ship to the Eastward Milford haven bearing E.S.E. 60 miles dist

Tuesday May 3rd
First part strong breeze from west with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. at dark took in sail Middle and latter part fresh gale from S.W. with heavy squalls ship hove to under storm sails at meridian Milford haven bore East 4 miles dist at midnight passed a sail

Wednesday May 4th
First part moderate gale from S.W. with squally weather ship hove to heading to the S.E. at Sundown wore ship to the westward Middle and latter part strong breeze from South with clear weather ship on opposite tacks under double reef topsails at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 25 miles dist Saw three sails

Barke Matilda Sears

Thursday May 5th

First part Strong breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the west Middle and latter part wind from the North with cloudy weather at daylight saw a bark at whale chased to the Linne after the other whales but got no chance at them at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 30 miles dist Saw three Sails

Friday May 6th

First part moderate breeze from North with cloudy weather Ship on opposite tacks Spoke of Bark Three Brothers at Sundown took in sail, Middle part calm latter part light airs from north Ship heading to the Eastward Saw two Sails at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 40 miles dist

Saturday May 7th

First part calm and light airs at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part the same at meridian Milford haven bore East 40 miles dist Saw two Sails

Sunday May 8th

First part light airs and calm with cloudy weather at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from South with cloudy weather at daylight Steered off to the North Saw one Sail at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 30 miles dist

Cruising Off Milford Haven 1870

Monday May 9th First part moderate breeze from South with rainy weather Ship Steering off to the north at dark took Sail and luffed to the wind Middle part the Same latter part Strong winds from South with clear weather at 5 A.M. run off to the north at 11 do luffed by the wind heading to the west at meridian Cascade point bore East 30 miles dist

Tuesday May 10th First part Strong winds from South with clear weather and rugged Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under easy Sail Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from the westward Ship on opposite tacks under easy sail at meridian Cascade point bore E 30 miles dist

Wednesday May 11th Commences with moderate breeze from the westward with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under easy Saill at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind the same with fog squalls Saw two Sails at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 20 miles dist

Thursday May 12th First part light baffling winds with fog Squalls Ship by the wind heading off shore at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part the same Saw two Sails at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 30 miles dist crew employed in get out provisions, and doing other jobs about the Ship

Bark Matilda Sears,

Friday May 13th

Commences with light baffling airs with foggy squalls. Ship by the wind heading off shore at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light airs and calm Ship on opposite tacks Saw two sails at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 25 miles dist

Saturday May 14th

First part light airs from west with cloudy weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at dark took in sail Middle part Calm latter part fresh breeze from north with cloudy weather Ship by the wind under all sail at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 25 miles dist Saw a bark got a whale but we see nothing

Sunday May 15th

Commences with Strong breeze from north with cloudy weather at 4 P.M. took in all sail and took up the lee boats Ship hove to heading off shore blowing a gale from the north with rainy weather Middle part heavy gale with squalls latter part more moderate Saw a sail

Monday May 16th

First part moderate breeze from N. to N.W. with rainy weather with large sea from the north Ship hove to heading off shore under storm sails Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.W. with clear weather Ship heading in shore at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 30 miles dist Saw one sail

Cruising off the West Coast N. Zealand 1870

Tuesday May 17th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with clear weather at 2 P.M. tacked by the wind heading to the westward at dark took in sail Middle part wind from west latter part fresh breeze from North Ship by the wind heading to the west

Wednesday May 18th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with clear weather Ship Steering N. & W. at 3 P.M. the wind hauled to the west with rain at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part moderate gale from west to East with rain Ship hove to under Storm Sails

Thursday May 19th

First part part moderate gale from East with rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the South under Storm Sails Middle and latter part moderate breeze from S.E. with rainy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under easy Sail

No Obs

Friday May 20th

First part moderate breeze from S.E. with rainy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward at dark took in sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Ship on Opposite tacks under easy sail

Bark Matilda Sears.

Saturday May 21st Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with thick rainy weather Ship by the wind heading to the South at dark took in sail
Middle part calm latter part Strong breeze from South with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading in shore under double reef topsails Saw the land

Lat. 44°24' S.

Sunday May 22nd First part Strong breeze from South with cloudy weather Ship heading to the East at 4 P.M. took in the fore topsail and close reefed the main topsail.
Middle part wind from S.W. with fogs squalls latter part wind from West at daylight Steered off N.N.E. under easy sail at 10 A.M. luffed to the wind heading to the North Saw one sail and the land

Monday May 23rd At meridian the wind hauled to the South blowing a gale with heavy squalls took in fore sail and fore topsail and close reefed the main topsail Middle and latter part more moderate at 10 A.M. wore Ship to the East Saw a sail

no Obs.

Tuesday May 24th Strong wind from S.W. with squally weather Ship heading to the East under easy sail at 8 P.M. luffed to the wind heading to the South Middle and latter part light gale from West with rainy squally weather Ship hove to heading to the Southward at meridian Saw the land bearing to the S.E. 10 miles dist.

Cruising off Milford Haven 1870

Wednesday May 25th
First part light gale from west with raining weather Ship hove to at 1 P.M. wore Ship to the Northward Middle part fresh breeze latter part Moderate breeze with clear weather Saw two Sails and land at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 25 Miles dist

Thursday May 26th
First part light airs from west with clear weather Ship Steering different Courses under all Sail at Sundown took in Sail. Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from North with cloudy weather Ship Steering different Courses Spoke the Barks. Three Brothers at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 25 Miles dist

Friday May 27th
First part Moderate breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather Ship Steering off to the South at Sundown took in Sail and luffed to heading to the west Middle and latter part wind from N.W. with hazy weather at daylight wore Ship to the South Saw two Sails

No Obs.

Saturday May 28th
First part Strong variable winds with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under easy Sail Spoke the Bark. Lydia at Sundown took in Sail middle and latter part weather the Same Ship on different tacks under double reef topsails Saw two Sail

No. Obs.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Sunday May 29th

First part fresh breeze from Southward with squally rugged weather ship Steering to the north at Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind heading off shore Middle and latter part light gale from South at daylight wore Ship to the Eastward Saw two Sails. At Meridian Milford haven bore East 20 miles dist

Monday May 30th

First part Strong winds from S. with clear weather ship heading to the Eastward under easy Sail at sundown luffed to the wind heading to the west Middle and latter part wind the Same at daylight Steered off to the north at Meridian Cascade point bore East 20 miles dist Saw a sail

Tuesday May 31st

First part Strong winds from the Southward with clear weather at 1 P.M. luffed to heading to the west at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from S.W. with fair weather at daylight wore Ship off Shore Cascade point bore S. E. [illegible] 10 miles dist

Wednesday June 1st

First part fresh breeze from West with fair weather ship by the wind heading to the N. N. W. under topsails at Sundown took Sail, Middle and latter part weather the Same at midnight wore ship to the South Saw a sail

Latd. 3° 20' S.

Cruiseing off Milford haven 1870

Thursday June 2nd

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship steering S.S.W. under topsails at Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind Middle and latter part fresh breeze with hazy weather at daylight steered S.W. under easy sail Saw a sail
no Obs.

Friday June 3rd

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship steering S.W. at 3 P.M. commenced to rain at 4 do. took in sail and luffed to the wind heading to the westward Middle part wind from South with clear weather ship heading to the west latter part wind from N.E. with thick weather at daylight wore ship to the East Saw the land and two Sail

Saturday June 4th

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with thick rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at Sundown took in sail and wore ship to the westward land bearing E.S.E. 5 miles dist Middle and latter part heavy gale from N.E. with thick weather Ship hove to heading to the N.W. under close reef main topsail at 4 A.M. turned the lee boats up
no Obs.

Sunday June 5th

Commences with heavy gale from N.E. with thick weather and heavy Sea running Saw a topsail Schooner steering to the Southd Middle and latter part more moderate with cloudy weather took in Stard boat on deck to mend it were it got stove on the crains
no Obs.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Monday June 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from the North with Squally weather Ship heading to the west at 3 P. M. the wind hauled to the S.W. blowing light gale Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the East under all sail land in sight at Meridian West Cape bore S. E. 30 miles dist

Tuesday June 7th

Commences with fresh breeze from the South with pleasant weather Ship Steering long with the land to the north at dark took in sail and luffed to the wind heading off shore Middle and latter part light breeze from South at daylight Steered long the land to the north at meridian Thomson Sound bore East 10 miles dist Mended the bow boat and put it out

Wednesday June 8th

First part light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering to the north at Sundown took in sail and luffed to heading off shore Middle and latter part light airs at daylight Steered off to the north at meridian Thomson Sound bore E. S. E. 15 miles dist broke out water out of the fore hold and put in the tank

Thursday June 9th

First part light airs and calm with cloudy weather Ship Steering to the north at dark took in sail Middle and latter part thick rainy weather with the wind from the S.W. Saw the land no Obs.

Cruiseing off Milfard haven 1870

Friday June 10th

Commences with light airs from South with thick raining weather Ship Steering to the northward at Sundown took in Sail and luffed to the wind heading to the westward Middle part weather the Same latter part Strong breeze from north with Squally raining weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward Saw the land

Saturday June 11th

Commences with Strong breeze from North with raining weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail at 2. P.M. the wind hauled to the west with cloudy weather Middle part wind from the west. latter part light gale from the north with thick weather Saw the land

Sunday June 12th

First part light gale from the north with variable weather Ship hove to heading to the westward Middle and latter part winds from north to Southeast with raining weather Ship hove to under Short sail Saw the land bearing to the S.E. 20 miles dist

Monday June 13th

First part fresh breeze from East with heavy cross Sea and raining weather Ship heading to the north under Short Sail Middle and latter part light gale from South with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under close reef topsails land in sight at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 20 miles dist at do Steered E.N.E.

Barke Matilda Sears.

Tuesday June 14th

First part light gale from South with clear weather Ship Steering E. N. E. at Sundown took in fore topsail and lufft to heading to the westward. Middle part wind from West latter light gale from S. W. with Squally weather Ship Steering to the north at 11 A. M. raised Sperm whales but lost run of them at meridian Milford haven bore bore S. S. E. 20 miles dist

Wednesday June 15th

First part light gale from S. W. with Squally weather Ship Steering different courses under double reef main topsail at dark luffed to heading off Shore Middle and latter part fresh gale at midnight wore Ship to the Eastward at meridian Cascade point bore S. E. 30 miles dist

Thursday June 16th

First part fresh gale from S. W. with clear weather at 4 P. M. wore Ship to the westward Middle and latter part light gale with Squally weather Ship on opposite tacks at daylight Set the topsails and courses at at 10 A. M. double reefed the topsails and took in the main sail Cascade point bearing S. E. 30 miles dist

Friday June 17th

First part moderate gale from S. W. with Squally weather at 1 P. M. blowed away the jib took in the fore topsails and close reefed the main topsail at 4 do saw black fish Middle and latter part strong breeze and rugged at daylight wore Ship to the S. E.

Lat. 43° : 10' S.

Cruiseing off Milford Haven 1870

Saturday June 18th

Commences with Strong breeze from S. W. with rugged weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. E. at 4. P. M. Saw humpbacks Lowered two Boats for them but with out Success Middle part weather the same latter part calm with raining weather at daylight the land in sight Open Bay bearing South 20 miles dist Saw a sail Crew employed in getting out meat out of the after hold

Sunday June 19th

Commences with calm at 4. P. M. took a squall from W. S. W. blowing fresh took in the light sails Ship by the wind opposite tacks at dark double reefed the topsails Middle part Strong breeze latter part moderate breeze from west with cloudy weather weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward at meridian Cascade point bore S. 10 miles dist

Monday June 20th

First part light airs and calm with raining weather Middle part fresh gale from N. E. with heavy rain Ship hove to on the northern tack latter part wind more moderate with the same weather ---- no Obs.

Tuesday June 21st

First part fresh breeze from north with heavy Swell and thick weather Ship Steering to the south under close reef main topsail at Sundown luffed to the wind heading to the westward Middle and latter part wind from the west with Squally weather Ship heading to the South under easy sail at 10 A. M. wore Ship to the north land in sight bearing to the East 10 miles dist

Barke Matilda Sears

Wednesday June 22nd

First part moderate breeze from west with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at 1. P.M. Saw black fish lowered for them but with out success at Sundown took in sail Middle part light variable wind latter part moderate breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. got out new jib and Spanker and bent them at Meridian Milford haven bore East 25 miles dist

Thursday June 23rd

First part moderate breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at Sundown took in sail and tacked Ship to the Eastward Middle and latter part light breeze from S.E. at meridian Milford haven bore S.E. 30 miles dist took Six bundles Shooks and Shook head cask out of the blubber room and Stowed the in the fore peak

Friday June 24th

First part fresh breeze from East with rainy weather at 2 P.M. took in all sail but Storm sails at dark wore Ship to the South Middle the same latter part fresh gale with heavy rain no Obs.

Saturday June 25th

Commences with fresh gale from South with heavy rain Ship hove to heading to the East at dark took up the boats and wore Ship to the west Middle with the same latter part the wind hauled to the west with clear weather Saw the land milford haven bore E.N.E. 20 miles dist

Cruiseing off Milford Haven 1870

Sunday June 26th

First part light breeze from S. W. with clear weather ship steering to the north at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part calm with raining weather at meridian Milford haven bore E.N.E 25 miles dist

Monday June 27th

First part light airs and calm with clear weather Middle part fresh breeze and squally latter part light gale at daylight steered off to the north at meridian luffed to the wind heading off shore at do Milford haven bore E.S.E. 20 mille dist

Tuesday June 28th

First part fresh gale from South with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the westward under Storm Sails Middle part more moderate latter part fresh breeze from S.W. with fogy Squalls. Ship heading to the Eastward at meridian Cascade point bore N.E. 15 miles dist

Wednesday June 29th

First part light variable winds with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part fresh gale from N.E. with heavy rain at daylight steered W. by S. and set the fore topsail double reefed rolled the larboard boat under and stowed it at meridian the wind hauled to the north with rain squalls at do set the courses no Obs.

Bark. Matilda Sears.

Thuesday June 30th First part. moderate gale from north with rain Squalls. Ship steering W. by. S. at dark took in the courses and close reefed the topsails Middle and latter part more moderate with the wind from the west Ship heading to the north at daylight took the larboard Boat in to repair

Lat. 43°52' S.
Long 166°04' E.

Friday July 1st First part fresh breeze from S.W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all bearing sail Middle and latter part variable winds Ship by the wind working to the westward

Lat. 42°57' S.
Long 164°58' E.

Saturday July 2nd First part Strong wind from N.W. with heavy sea from the west. Ship by the wind heading to the westward under all bearing sail Middle and latter part moderate gale with squally weather Ship on Opposite tacks

Lat. 42°57' S.
Long 164°24' E.

Sunday July 3rd First part. moderate gale from W. S. W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. W. under all close reef topsails and courses Middle part fresh gale took in all sail but close reef main topsail latter part more moderate with rain Squalls Set all bearing sail

Lat. 41°55' S.

Steering to the Northwest 1870

Monday July 4th

First part. fresh breeze from W.N.W. with rain Squalls Ship by the wind under all bearing sail Middle and latter part moderate gale from S.W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind under all bearing sail heading to the westward

Lat. 39° 55' S.
Long 162° 22' E.

Tuesday July 5th

First part. moderate gale from S.W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under all bearing sail Middle and latter part Strong winds and Squally

Lat. 38° 24' S.
Long 162° 51 E.

Wednesday July 6th

First part. variable winds with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all sail Middle part light airs latter part. calm with fog Squalls.

Lat. 37° 03' S.

Thursday July 7th

Commences with calm with cloudy weather Middle and latter part light airs from west Ship by the wind heading to the north under all sail crew employed in doing different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 36° 45' S.
Long 162° 06' E.

Friday July 8th

First part. fine breeze from west. with clear weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all sail Middle and latter part light gale from W.S.W. with Squally weather Ship heading to the N.W. under all bearing sail

Lat. 35° 56' S.
Long 161° 15' E.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Saturday July 9th

First part light gale from S. W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward. Middle and latter part fresh breeze with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the W. N. W. under all sail crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 34°:44' S.
Long 159°:00 E.

Sunday July 10th

First part fine breeze from the South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the west under all sail Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 34°:42' S.
Long 156°33' E.

Monday July 11th

First part fine breeze from S. E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering course S. W. by W. under all sail Middle and latter part light airs from N. E. Ship Steering W. N. W. at daylight sent down the fore topsail to repair it

Lat. 35°:10' S.
Long 155°:26' E.

Tuesday July 12th

First part calm with clear weather Middle part the same latter part light breeze from South Ship Steering W. by S. Sent up the fore topsail and bent it and sent down the main topsail to repair

Lat. 35°:16' S.
Long 154°:55' E.

Wednesday July 13th

Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering W. by S. Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.E. crew employed repairing old main topsail

Lat. 35°:00' S.
Long 153°:07' E.

Steering to the Westward 1870

Thursday July 14th

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering W. by S. bent the main topsail and sent down the fore sail at Sundown took in sail for the night Middle and latter part wind and weather the same broke out a new fore sail and bent it at 11. A.M. Sight the land bearing west

Lat. 35° 16' S.
Long 151° 48' E.

Friday July 15th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering W. by S. at Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind heading to the northwest Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Ship Steering different courses Saw five Sails and land

Lat. 35° 03' S.

Saturday July 16th

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with Squally weather Ship Steering Courses at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind from East Ship by the wind heading N.N.E. Saw the land

Lat. 34° 51' S.

Sunday July 17th

First part fresh breeze from East with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.N.E. at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 9. P.M. wore Ship to the South

No Obs.

Monday July 18th

Commences with fresh breeze from East with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the South under easy Sail latter part wind from north with pleasant weather Saw the land unbent the flying jib

Lat. 35° 46' S.
Long 151° 51' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday July 19th

Commences with moderate breeze from westward with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part wind from S.E. at daylight steered off N.W. land in sight bent a new flying jib

Lat. 35°:36' S.

Wednesday July 20th

First part light variable winds with pleasant weather Ship steering off to the north under all sail at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind latter weather the same saw two sails and land crew employed in different jobs about the ship. Lat. 35°:19' S.

Thursday July 21st

First part light airs from South with pleasant weather Ship steering to the north at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind latter part wind from the East Ship by the wind heading to the southward Saw five sails and land

Friday July 22nd

First part fresh breeze from E.N.E. with rain Ship by the wind heading to the S.E. at sundown took in sail latter part moderate gale from west Ship hove to heading to the north Saw a sail

No Obs.

Saturday July 23rd

First part fresh gale from W.S.W. with thick rainy weather Ship hove to at 5 P.M. wore ship to the southward and took the boats on the upper cranes at 8 do the wind hauled to the South middle and latter part fresh gale with squalls.

Lat. 35°:27' S.
Long 151°:25' E.

Cruiseing off Jarvis Bay 1870

Sunday July 24th First part fresh gale from South with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part moderate gale at 3. A. M. wore ship to the westward Saw a sail
Lat. 35°: 12' S.
Long 151°: 58' E.

Sunday July 25th First part, moderate gale from South with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the westward Middle part more moderate latter part fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward Saw two sails and land.
Lat. 35°: 13' S.

Tuesday July 26th First part, light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward at Sundown took in Sail latter part wind from the north Ship Steering to the South land in sight got 20 bbls water out of the main hatch and put it in the tank
Lat. 35°: 39' S.

Wednesday July 27th First part fresh breeze from the north with pleasant weather at 2. P. M. luffed to the wind heading to the East at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind from the N. W. Ship on opposite tacks, Saw a sail and land
Lat. 35°: 48' S.

Thursday July 28th First part fresh breeze from N. W. with fair weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. W. at Sundown took in Sail at 8. P. M. the wind hauled to the South blowing gale Middle and latter part moderate gale with cloudy weather Ship hove to heading to the westward Saw two Steamers and one Sail land in sight
Lat. 35°: 28' S.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Friday July 29th

Commences with Moderate gale from South with cloudy weather wore ship by the wind heading to westward at 1. P. M wore ship off shore land bearing west 6 miles dist Latter part Moderate breeze from the South at daylight Steered off the northward Saw two Sail and land
Lat. 34°50' S.

Saturday July 30th

First part light breeze from the S.E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering to the northward at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part wind from the north Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Saw the land and a sail
Lat. 34°46' S.

Sunday July 31st

First part part fresh breeze from the north with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind from west Ship heading to the north
Lat. 34°05' S.
Long 152°41' E.

Monday August 1st

Commences with Strong breeze from the westward with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part the same at daylight Steered N.E Saw one sail
Lat. 33°09' S.
Long 153°30' E.

Tuesday Aug 2nd

First part fresh breeze from westward with pleasant weather Ship Steering E.N.E. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part wind from the west with rain Squalls
Lat. 32°58' S.
Long 155°20' E.

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1870

Wednesday August 3rd

Commences with light breeze from westward with cloudy weather Ship steering E.N.E. under all drawing Sail Middle and latter part moderate gale with heavy Squalls at 2 A.M. had a heavy tempest with rain and heavy Squall parted both of the fore topsail Sheets and blowed away the foot of the fore topsail at 10 A.M. luffed to the wind heading to the N.W. blowing a gale from the westward lost one of the fore topsail Sheets over board

Lat. 32° 17' S.
Long 157° 20' E.

Thursday Aug 4th

Commences with moderate gale from the westward with clear weather Ship hove to heading to the N.W. at 2 P.M. the wind hauled to the South in heavy Squall at 3 do wore Ship and steered E by N latter part wind the same at daylight sighted Lord Howe Island bearing N.E. 20 miles dist at do luffed to the wind heading to the South

Friday Aug 5th

First part moderate gale from west with heavy Squalls Ship by the wind heading to the South under storm Sails Middle and latter part Strong winds with Squally weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at meridian Lord Howe Island bore N.W. 35 Miles dist

Saturday Aug 6th

First part strong breeze from west with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the northward under easy Sail latter part strong breeze from N.W. Ship by the wind heading to the S.W. crew employed in get. out. provisions at meridian Lord Howe Island bore N.W. 30 miles dist

Bark. Matilda Sears

Sunday August 7th First part light gale from N.W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part the same Ship by the wind on opposite tacks
Lat. 31°. 28' S.

Monday Aug 8th Commences with light gale from the west with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the South at 2 P.M. took the main topsail in in heavy Squall Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at midnight Set the main topsail
Lat 32°. 35' S.
Long 160°. 20' E.

Tuesday Aug 9th First part. light gale from westward with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the South at 6. P.M wore ship to the N.W. Middle and latter part strong breeze with fair weather Saw Lord Howe Island bearing to the N.W. Sent down the fore topsail to repair
Lat. 32° 00' S.

Wednesday Aug 10th First part. fresh breeze from west with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at 5. P.M. wore ship to the South Middle and latter part pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks mended the fore topsail and bent it at meridian Lord Howe Island bore S.W. 25 miles dist

Thursday Aug 11th First part Commences with fine weather wind from the north ship Steering S.W. at 4. P.M. the came Squally took in all sail but the Storm Sail Middle and latter part fine breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather Ship heading to the northwest at meridian Lord Howe Island bore west. 20 miles dist fitted the fore topsail Sheets and done other jobs about the Ship

Cruiseing off Lord Howe Island 1870

Friday August 12th

First part light breeze from the S.W. with pleasant weather Ship steering to the northward Middle and latter part the same Ship steering to the S.W. with the wind from N.W. Saw a sail at meridian Lord Howe Island bore N.N.E. 10 miles dist

Saturday Aug 13th

Commences with strong breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather Ship steering course S.W. by W. under all bearing sail Middle part the same latter part the wind hauled in Squall with a tempest to the west took in all sail Ship heading to the south.

Lat. 32° 59' S.
Long 156° 48' E.

Sunday Aug 14th

Commences with moderate gale from west with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the south under all bearing Sail Middle part calm latter part light breeze from the north Ship steering S.W. by W.

Lat. 33° 03' S.
Long 155° 42' E.

Monday Aug 15th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather Ship steering course S.W. by W. under all drawing sail at sundown wind from the northwest blowing fresh took in all sail but double reef main topsail and fore sail

Middle part fresh gale from west took in the main topsail and fore sail latter part more moderate wind from S.W. Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all bearing sail

Lat. 33° 42' S.
Long 155° 26' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Aug 25th

First part moderate breeze from the East with fog squalls Ship steering different courses under Easy sail Spoke the Bark Three Brothers at Sundown took in sail Middle part wind from north latter part from the west Ship Steering different courses Saw three sails and the land At meridian the [illegible] west 25 miles dist

Friday Aug 26th

First part light airs and calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the wind from Eastward ship heading to the north Saw three sail and land Sent in the flying jib took one cloth out of the leech and bent it again

Saturday Aug 27th

First part light variable wind with rainy weather Ship steering different courses at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light gale from South with rain Squalls Ship by the wind on opposite tack land in sight

Sunday Aug 28th

First part light gale from the South with Squally weather Ship steering different courses at Sundown luffed to heading to the west under close reef main topsail Middle and latter part Strong breeze from South and rugged Saw three Sails and land at Meridian the Peation house bore west 30 miles dist

Monday Aug 29th

First part Strong breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the west under short sail Middle and latter part Strong winds and Squally Ship on opposite tacks Saw three sails and land

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1870

Tuesday Aug 30th

First part Strong winds w from South with Squally weather with heavy sea Ship by the wind on opposite tacks under short sail Middle and latter part the same Saw two Sails and the land at Meridian Pigeon house bore west 25 miles dist

Wednesday Aug 31st

Commence with fresh breeze from South with Squally weather Ship by the wind under short sail Middle and latter part Strong breeze with clear weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Saw four Sail and land

Thursday September 1st

First part fresh breeze from South with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the west at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind from S.E. Saw one Sail and the land at meridian Pigeon house bore N. W. 20 miles dist

Friday Sept 2nd

First part moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship Steering to the South at Sundown shorten sail and luffed to the wind Middle and latter part wind from the north with cloudy weather at daylight steered off to the southward Saw two Sails and the land crew employed in cleaning the iron work to the windlass and painting it Lat. 36° 39' S.

Bark Matilda Sears

Saturday September 3rd

First part fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Ship Steering to the South under short sail at 2 P. M. Steered S. S. W. latter part wind and weather the same Saw two sails and the land crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 37° 10' S.

Sunday Sept. 4th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather Ship Steering S. S. W. under short sail Middle and latter part wind from west at meridian Cape Barren Island bore S. W. 25 miles dist.

Lat. 40° 10' S.

Monday Sept. 5th

First part light breeze from westward with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward at Sundown shorten sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from north with hazy weather at daylight Steered S. W. Saw the land bearing to the west 30 miles dist crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 41° 07' S.

Tuesday Sept. 6th

First part fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Ship Steering Course South under all drawing sail at Sundown took in sail and luffed to heading off shore Middle and latter part wind the same at daylight Steered off various courses under short sail

Lat 42° 02' S.

Wednesday Sept. 7th

First part fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Ship Steering different courses at Sundown took in sail and luffed to heading off shore at do Maria Island bore S. W. 30 miles dist Middle and latter part wind the same at daylight Steered off various Courses under short sail no Obs

Cruising for Sperm Whales 1870

Thursday September 8th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with drizzling weather ship steering different courses at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at daylight steered S.W. no Obs.

Friday Sept. 9th

First part light breeze from north with raining weather ship steering course west by South under short ~~sail~~ sail at sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind Middle part calm with rain and heavy swell latter part fresh gale from S.W. with with heavy sea running ship hove to heading to the west Lat. 43° 10' S.

Saturday Sept 10th

First part fresh gale from S.W. with raining weather and heavy cross sea ship hove to heading to the westward at 3. P.M. wore ship to the Southeard Cape Pellar bearing west 6. miles dist Middle and latter part weather the same at 7. A.M. wore ship to the westward Lat 42° 12' S.

Sunday Sept. 11th

First part fresh gale from Southward with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the west at 4. P.M. wore ship to the S.E. at do Cape Pillar bore S.W. 10 miles dist Middle and latter part moderate gale with squally weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all bearing sail at meridian Cape Pillar bore S.W. 20 miles dist

Monday Sept. 12th

Commences with moderate gale from South with squally weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all bearing sail
Middle and latter part moderate with the wind from S.W. ship beating to the windward at meridian Maria Island bore northwest 8 miles dist

Bark (Matilda Sears)

Tuesday September 13th
First part moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship beating to the windward under all sail. Middle and latter part the same at meridian Forte Squie Bay bore west 2. miles dist

Wednesday Sept. 14th
First part light breeze from west with pleasant weather at 3 P.M. came to anchor in Forte Sque Bay for water and wood sent a raft ashore and got it off at night and one boat load of wood

Thursday Sept. 15th
Fresh breeze from the north with cloudy weather Stowed away the raft of water and got off another raft and got three boat loads of wood

Friday Sept. 16th
Variable winds with cloudy weather Crew employed in Cutting wood and geting off Stowed one raft of water and got off one Small one and three boat loads of wood

Saturday Sept. 17th
Fresh breeze from South with Squally weather crew employed in Stowing wood and water and geting ready for sea

Sunday Sept. 18th
Commences with light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather at 1. P.M. Sea account got under way and Stood to sea and Stowed the anchors and chains Middle part light airs and calm at 2. A.M. in the fourth mate wach while he was foreward haulying down the jib to keep it from flatting he was knocked down by one of the crew and before he could give the alarm the crew lowered down the bow boat and Seven of the crew runaway with it we lowered down another boat as quick as we could and give chase with the four offecers

one boat steerer and one foreward hand but being dark we could not find them the boat in chase returned to the ship after an hours chase the land at the time was about 35 miles dist Cape Pillar bearing S. S. W. their names as follows George. G. Gifford boat steerer John L. Toby, Richard Leslie. William Holts. William. Woolcuff James Ellis. Jarey Swaaes. foreward hands latter part light airs from north ship steering to the south

Monday Sept 19th

Commences with light breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering to the southward at 5. P. M. passed Cape Pillar 5 miles dist at do: steered into Storm Bay. middle and latter part wind from N. W. with clear weather ship beating up Storm Bay at meridian the Iron pot light house bore north 1 miles dist

Tuesday Sept 20th

First part light airs from N. E. with pleasant weather ship steering up Hobart Town river at 8. P. M. came to Anchor in Hobart Town to get men crew employed in washing ship out side sent down the main topsail yard and fitted the bands on it sent up again and bent the main topsail

Wednesday Sept 21st

Fine weather crew employed in breaking out the after hold and getting wood and stowing it

Thursday Sept 22nd

Showery weather sent one watch on liberty the other watch employed in different jobs about the ship. Frank Silvia Henry Carey and Frank Cotan deserted

Bark. Matilda Sears

Friday Sept 23rd

Fresh breeze from South and showery weather Sent the Larboard wach on liberty Emileo. Souares ~~desertted~~ deserted

Saturday Sept 24th

Showery weather Sent the Starboard wach on liberty

Sunday Sept 25th

Fine weather Sent the Larboard wach on liberty

Monday Sept 26th

Fine weather employed in taking potatoes on Board

Tuesday Sept 27th

drizzly weather employed in different jobs about the Ship three new handes come on board to stay

Wednesday Sept 28th

Fine weather employed in geting ready for Sea the remainer of the new handes came on Board

Thursday Sept 29th

Commences with moderate breeze from westward at 4 P.M. Sea account got underway and steered out of the river at Sundown chosed the wachs and divided the Boats crew stowed the Anchors and chains at do passed the Iron pot light house Middle part moderate gale from West 10 P.M. took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails Ship by the wind heading to the south latter part weather the same at 7 A.M. steered East and S.E. all bearing sail at do Cape Pillar bore N.W. 25 mile dist

Steering to the Northward 1870

Friday Sept 30th

Commences with Strong wind from S.W. with Squally weather ship Steering course N.N.E. under all drawing sail Middle part light variable breezes latter part fresh breeze from west with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the north saw the land at 7. A.M. took in the light sails also do double reefed the topsails John Key went off duty with the venereal decease

Lat. 41° 55' S.

Saturday Sept. Oct. 1st

First part moderate gale from N.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the north at sundown took in all sail but close reef main topsail and storm sails Middle and latter part wind and weather the same

Lat. 41° 14' S.
Long 150° 46' E.

Sunday Oct. 2nd

First part moderate gale from west with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the north under all drawing sail Middle part the wind hauled to the South latter part moderate breeze with fine weather ship steering N by W under all drawing sail.

Lat. 39° 55' S.
Long 151° 00' E.

Monday Oct. 3rd

Commences with the wind from South with pleasant weather ship steering course N. by W. under all drawing sail at 2. P.M. the wind hauled to the west Middle part wind from W.S.W. blowing strong took in the light sails latter part weather the same at daylight steered E. b. N. under easy sail at meridian luffed to the wind heading to the South

Lat. 38° 36' S.
Long 152° 04' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday October 4th

First part Strong breeze from westward with cloudy weather and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the South under easy sail at sundown took in sail Middle part the same latter part more moderate Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at 10 A.M. raised Sperm whales going to the Southwest quick lowerd in chase of them

no Obs.

Wednesday Oct 5th

Commences with light breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather boats in chase of the whales at sundown the boats returned to the Ship with out Success at do took in sail latter part Moderate breeze from north at daylight raised Sperm whales to the windward going to the windward quick lowered the boats but did not see them out of the boats at 10. A.M the boats came on board

Lat 38° 26 S.

Thursday Oct 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the W.N.W. at 4 P.M raised alone Sperm whale lowered the boats at 5 do the Larboard boat struck the whale stoved the boat and capsized it in striking the Starboard and waist boat struck the whale got him at dark took the stoven boat to the ship at 7. P.M. took the whale alongside Middle and latter part strong breezes and rugged at daylight commenced cutting

no Obs

Friday Oct 7th

Commences with strong winds from north and very rugged employed in cutting at 3. A.M. finished cutting the body at daylight hooked onto the head and took it in

no Obs.

Cruising for Right Whale 1870

Saturday Oct. 8th

Commences with strong wind from north with rugged weather crew employed in clearing the head away at 9 daylight commenced to boil at do the wind hauled to the south latter part steered off to the N. W.

Lat. 39° 17' S.

Sunday Oct. 9th Commences with moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather at 1 P.M. raised right whales lowered in chase but with out success Middle and latter part fresh breeze from north at 10 A.M. raised right whales lowered and got one to the Starboard boat crew employed in boiling and get cask out of the fore hold for Oil

no Obs

Monday Oct 10th

Commences with strong winds from north with hazy weather put the largest fluck chain on the whale crew employed in boiling at 8 P.M wind blowing a moderate gale at do the fluck chain parted and lost the whale from alongside lowered a boat and to look for the whale the boat found him and layed by the whale the weather being very rough at the time the boat shipped a sea and swamped the crew was picked up half hour after the boat capsized lowered down two more boats and layed by the whale allnight with raining weather and squally at 11 A.M took the whale to the ship and flucked him with the big anchain lost the boat that got capsized and all the things belonging to it and it was a very Small chance in saving the whale as now the wind from S. E. blowing moderate gale sent all hand below they being thirty hours with out sleep

Rufus. B. Chace went off duty with the venerial decease Lat. 39° 04 S Lon 151° 55' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday Oct 12th

Commences with light gale from from S.E. with Squally weather at Sundown commenced to boiler at daylight hooked on to the whale latter part weather the same employed in cutting and boiling

no Obs

Wednesday Oct 13th

Commences with light gale from S.E. with Squally weather at 10 P.M. finished cutting at do finished boiling the Sperm whale latter part more moderate crew employed in Stowing Oil in the fore hold - no Obs

Thursday Oct 14th

Commences with Strong breeze from E. with rugged weather Ship Steering to the west under easy Sail at Sundown luffed to heading to the north at do Commenced to boiler middle and latter part moderate breeze

Lat. 39° 16' S.
Long 154° 15' E.

Friday Oct 15th

Commences with fresh breeze from E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the north latter part raining weather crew employed in boilding

no Obs

Saturday Oct 16th

First part Strong wind from East with raining weather and rugged Ship by the wind head to the north under easy sail at 1 P.M. finished boilding middle and latter part variable winds with thick weather at meridian the wind hauled to the westward and cleared off

Lat. 38° 55' S.
Long 155° 30' E.

Cruising for Right Whales 1870

Sunday Oct. 16th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under easy sail at 6 P.M. wore ship to the west middle part [illegible] [illegible] latter part [illegible] at 7 A.M. raised Sperm whales lowered and chased at 11 A.M. the Starboard boat struck a whale Rufus B. Lane went on duty to day
No Obs.

Monday Oct 17th

Commences with calm with cloudy weather boats towing the whale to the ship at 4 P.M. took the whale along side at 5 do hooked on took in the jaw and got the head half off at 7 do lashed down for the night
Middle and latter part strong breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather at daylight commenced to cut at sundown hove the case in

Tuesday Oct. 18th

Commences with strong breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather latter part the same at daylight commenced to stow down Oil in the fore hold at meridian steered west
Rufus.

Lat. 39° 29' S.
Long 155° 05' E.

Wednesday Oct. 19th

First part light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship steering west under easy sail employed in stowing Oil in the fore hold at sundown started the works Middle part the same latter part strong breeze from N.E. and rugged at daylight luffed to the wind heading to the north

Lat. 39° 00' S.

Thursday Oct 20th

Commences with strong wind from N.E. with drizzling weather Middle and latter part moderate gale with rain at 2 A.M. cool down on account of the weather at meridian the gale broke away ship hove to heading to the N.W.

Lat. 38° 59' S.
Long 158° 25' E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Friday Oct 21st

First part moderate breeze from North with clear weather with heavy sea running at 1 P.M. started the works again Middle part heavy rain latter part wind from West with clear weather employed in boiling

Lat. 38° 47' S.
Long 153° 20' E.

Saturday Oct 22nd

First moderate breeze from west with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the north under easy sail Middle and latter part wind from west Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at 10 P.M. finished boiling employed in coopering Casks & stow

Lat. 38° 30' S.
Long 152° 08' E.

Sunday Oct 23rd

Commences with strong breeze from north with clear weather at 3 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. Ship steering different courses under short sail Middle part light airs and calm latter part moderate breeze from the East Ship steering N.W. Rufus B. Chase went off duty with the venereal decease.

Lat. 37° 45' S.
Long 153° 30' E.

Monday Oct 24th

First part fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship steering west at sundown took in sail and layed aback latter part wind from N.E. Ship heading to the westward crew employed in stowing Oil in the fore hold Saw a sail

Lat. 38° 34' S.
Long 152° 08' E.

Tuesday Oct. 25th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather Ship steering different courses at Sundown luffed to heading to the Eastward and layed aback latter part strong wind with drizzle weather and rugged crew employed in stowing water down the fore hold got out the Slop cask and sold the men clothing

Lat. 37° 50' S.

Cruising for Right Whales 1870

Wednesday Oct. 26th

Commences with Strong winds from N. E. with rugged weather Ship steering to the S. E. under short sail at 6 P. M. the wind hauled to the west with rain ; middle and latter part Strong breeze from South with drizzly weather Ship by the wind heading to the East. Lat. 37° 52' S.
Long 153° 55' E.

Thursday Oct. 27th

First part Strong breeze from South with clear weather and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the East under Short Sail latter part wind from East at 3 A. M. wore ship to the South crew employed on different jobs about the ship Lat. 38° 14' S.
Long 154° 00' E.

Friday Oct. 28th

First part wind from E. N. E. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. E. under short sail latter part Strong wind from north and rugged at daylight Steered off to the S. E crew employed in breaking out the after hold for provision and tobacco no Obs

Saturday Oct. 29th

First part Strong winds from north with hazy weather and rugged Ship steering S. S. E. under short sail at Sundown luffed to the wind heading to the Eastward latter part wind the same at 7 A. M. steered E. S. E. crew employed in different jobs about the ship Lat. 40° 11' S.
Long 156° 08' E.

Sunday Oct. 30th

First part Strong winds from north with thick hazy weather weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. E. under short sail middle part the same at 10 A. M. the wind hauled to the S. W. Ship Steering N. by W.
no Obs.

Barke Matilda Sears

Monday Oct. 31st

Commences with Strong breeze from S. W. with clear weather and rugged Ship steering N. by W. under short sail at sundown luffed to heading to the N. W. latter part wind from South ship steering different courses crew employed in different jobs about the ship Lat. 39° 23' S.
Long 156° 10' E.

Tuesday Nov 1st

Commences with moderate breeze from South with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the west at 4 P. M. raised a right whales Lowered in chase but without Success
Middle and latter part calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship Lat. 39° 34' S.
Long 156° 02' E.

Wednesday Nov 2nd

First part moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at sundown raised right whales lowered the Starboard boat and struck at 11 P. M took the whale to the ship at daylight commenced cutting at noon finished weather rainy
No Obs.

Thursday Nov 3rd

Commences with moderate breeze from west with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the South under short sail
Middle part strong breeze latter part moderate gale from S. W. with heavy sea Ship hove to heading to the N. W.
Lat. 40° 15' S.
Long 156° 16' E.

Cruising for Right Whales 1870

Friday Nov 4th

First part moderate gale from South with clear weather and heavy Sea at 8. P.M. commenced to boild Middle part calm with heavy Swell latter part Strong breeze from N. W. Ship heading to the N.E.

Lat. 39° 54' S.
Long 156° 30' E.

Saturday Nov 5th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. W. with hazy weather Ship heading N.E. under short sail Middle and latter part the same Ship on opposite tacks employed in boiling.

Lat. 39° 56' S.

Sunday Nov 6th

Commences with moderate gale from N. N. W. with hazy weather Ship heading to the west at 6. P.M. finished boiling at dc had a heavy rain Squall with lightning latter part wind from N. W. more moderate Ship heading to the N. N. E.

Lat. 39° 56' S.
Long 156° 56' E.

Monday Nov 7th

First part fresh breeze from W. N. W. with hazy weather Ship by the wind head to the north Middle and latter part more moderate with rainy weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks crew employed in stowing whale oil in the main hold

no Obs.

Tuesday Nov 8th

First part fresh breeze from S. W. with clear weather Ship heading to the N. W. under short sail Middle part calm latter part light airs from north with pleasant weather crew employed in Scrapeing bone
John Kee went on duty

Lat. 39° 08' S.
Long 156° 18' E.

Bark Matilda / Sears.

Wednesday Nov 9th

Commences with light breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship Steering course S.W. at Sundown took in Sail latter part the wind hauled to the S.E. with a tempest Ship on different tacks Spoke the Bark Australasian Packet of Hobart Town no Obs.

Thursday Nov 10th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather Ship on different tacks at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light breeze from South with pleasant weather crew employed in different jobs about the Ship

Lat. 39° 57' S.
Long 155° 40' E.

Friday Nov 11th

Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering different courses at Sundown took in Sail latter part moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather at 6. A.M. raised a lone Sperm Whale lowered the waist boat struck and lost the line the Starboard boat Struck again and got him at 11. A.M. took the whale to the Ship.

Lat. 39° 40' S.
Long 155° 20' E.

Saturday Nov 12th

First part moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather at 1 P.M. commenced cutting at 10 do finished cutting his body latter part Strong winds and rugged hove the head in and cleaned away his case

Lat. 40 20' S.
Long 155° 40 E.

Cruising for Right Whales 1870

Sunday Nov 13th

moderate gale from N. N. W. with clear weather Ship hove to heading to the N. E. latter part wind the same with heavy Sea and rainy weather
no Obs.

Monday Nov 14th

First part fresh gale from north with heavy Sea and rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the N. E. latter part wind from South more moderate at 7. A. M. Commenced to boil. Ship by the wind heading to the west saw a sail.
Lat. 40° 30' S.
Long 156° 30' E.

Tuesday Nov 15th

First part light breeze from South with heavy Swell and clear weather Ship heading to the West latter part fine weather employed in boiling
Lat. 39° 59' S.
Rufus B. Chase went on duty
Long 156° 10' E.

Wednesday Nov 16th

Commences with moderate breeze from S. E. with pleasant weather Ship heading to the westward latter part the same finished boiling
Lat. 39° 30' S.
Long 155° 45' E.

Thursday Nov 17th

Commences with moderate breeze from S. E. with fine weather Ship steering to the west under short sail at 7. P. M. wore ship to the East latter part weather the same crew employed in stowing Oil in the fore peak
Lat. 38° 52' S.

Friday Nov 18th

First part fresh breeze from S. E. with clear weather Ship heading to the E. N. E. at 9. P. M. wore ship to the South latter part strong breezes with cloudy weather crew employed in different jobs about the ship no Obs.

Barke Matilda Sears

Saturday Nov 19th

First part fresh breeze from East with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the South at Sundown took in sail middle and latter the Same at 9 A.M wore ship to the north.

Lat. 39°54' S.
Long 154°30' E.

Sunday Nov 20th

First part Strong breeze from East with cloudy weather ship heading to the north at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part the Same at 6 A.M wore ship to the S.E. Lat. 39°54'
Long 154°55' E.

Monday Nov 21st

First part moderate breeze from East with hazy weather ship heading to the S.E. at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part wind from S.E. with drizzly weather ship heading to the N.E.
no Obs.

Tuesday Nov 22nd

First part light breeze from S.E. with drizzly weather ship heading to the N.E. under Short Sail Middle part calm latter part moderate breeze from N.W. with rain Showers ship steering to the Eastward crew employed in odd jobs
no Obs

Wednesday Nov 23rd

First part moderate breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather ship steering to the Eastward at Sundown took in sail latter part moderate gale from S.W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the Southward under Storm Sails
no Obs.

Thursday Nov 24th

First part fresh gale from S.W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the Southward latter part more moderate steered off to the Eastward under Storm Sails

Lat. 40°00' S.
Long 157°20' E.

Friday Nov. 25th

First part moderate gale from S.W. with clear weather ship steering off to the Eastward at Sundown luffed to heading to the Southward Middle part light breeze latter part fresh breeze from North with clear weather ship steering to the Eastward employed in drying bone and doing other jobs about the ship.

Long 158° 35' E.
Lat 40° 10' S.

Saturday Nov. 26th

First part fresh breeze from North with clear weather ship steering to the Eastward at Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind latter part moderate gale with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the E.N.E.

No Obs.

Sunday Nov. 27th

First part moderate gale from North with rainy weather at 5. P.M. the wind hauled to the west at 10 wore ship to the South Middle and latter part Strong wind from S.W. with Squally weather and rugged Sea at 7. A.M. steered E.N.E. under short sail

Lat 40° 11' S.
Long 161° 37' E.

Monday Nov. 28th

First part Strong breeze from S.W. with clear weather and rugged Sea at 2 P.M. luffed to the wind heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part more moderate ship by the wind heading to the N.W. Sent down the main topsail and repaired it and done other jobs about the ship rove new main buntline and reef tackles

Lat. 39° 24' S.
Long 161° 28' E.

Tuesday Nov. 29th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at Sundown took in sail Middle part Calm latter part fresh breeze from North ship heading to the west No. Obs.

Barke Matilda Sears.

Wednesday Nov 30th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with Squally weather at 1. P. M. the wind hauled to the S. W. in heavy Squall at do wore ship to the northward Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S. W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N. W. crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 38° 40' S.
Long 160° 44' E.

Thursday Nov 1st

Commences with fresh breeze from west with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the north at Sundown took in sail Middle part variable winds latter part fresh breeze from S. W. with Squally weather

no Obs

Friday Dec 2nd

First part moderate gale from S. W. with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the N. W. Middle and latter part strong winds with Squally weather at 6. A. M. Steered off to the northward crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 38° 01' S.
Long 160° 35' E.

Saturday Dec 3rd

First part fresh breeze from S. W. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. W. at Sundown wore ship to the South and took in sail latter part weather Squally

Lat. 36° 42' S.
Long 161° 01 E.

Sunday Dec 4th

First part light gale from S. W. with clear weather Ship heading to the Southward Middle and latter part the Same

Lat. 37° 11' S.
Long 161° 39' E.

Monday Dec 5th

Commences with Strong winds from S. W. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward Middle and latter part wind from west with Squally weather and rugged

no Obs.

Cruising for Sperm Whales 1870

Tuesday Dec 6th

First part moderate gale from S. W. with Squally weather and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under short saill, Middle and latter part the Same

Lat. 38° 23' S.
Long 162° 35' E.

Wednesday Dec 7th

First part fresh breeze from S. W. with clear weather Ship heading to the Southward Middle and latter part wind from N. W. with hazy weather Ship Steering Course S. by E.

Lat. 40° 58' S.
Long 162° 25' E.

Thursday Dec 8th

First part Strong winds from N. W. with rainy weather ship steering Course S. S. E. At 7 P. M. took in sail Middle part wind hauled to the S. W. latter part Strong winds from S. W. and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the Southward

Lat. 42° 40' S.
Long 163° 00' E.

Friday Dec 9th

First part Strong winds from S. W. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward at Sundown took in sail, Middle part the Same latter part light breeze from North Ship Steering S. S. E.

Lat. 43° 46' S.
Long 163° 35' E.

Saturday Dec 10th

First part light airs from N. E. with cloudy weather ship Steering S. E. at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part Strong winds from Southward ship by the wind heading to the Southeast under short sail

Lat. 44° 14' S.
Long 164° 26' E.

Sunday Dec 11th

First part Strong winds from S.W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part the same

Lat 44° 33' S.
Long 164° 29' E.

Monday Dec 12th

First part light gale from South with Squally weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under Storm Sails middle part Strong breeze latter part moderate breeze with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.E.

Lat 44° 49' S.
Long 165° 24' E.

Tuesday Dec 13th

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. at Sundown took in Sail latter part wind from South Ship heading to the westward

Lat 45° 15' S.
Long 164° 34' E.

Wednesday Dec 14th

First part Moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward at Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat 45° 04'
Long 164° 09 E.

Thursday Dec 15th

First part Moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather Ship Steering S.W. at 6 P.M. Spoke the Bark ~~Fl~~ Union of Sydney Middle and latter part Moderate gale from north with thick weather Ship hove to heading to the west at meridian the wind hauled to the west Ship Steering S.E.

Lat 45° 30' S.
Long 163° 59' E.

Cruising for Right Whales 1870

Friday Dec 16th

First part fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather ship steering off course S. E. at 6. P.M. took in sail hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part moderate gale from S. W. with clear weather ship hove to heading to the South Lat. 46.° 01' S.
Long 164.° 38' E.

Saturday Dec 17th

First part moderate gale from S. W. with clear weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part moderate breeze from west with hazy weather ship steering to the Eastward Lat. 46.° 43' S.
Long 165.° 20' E.

Sunday Dec 18th

First part moderate breeze from N. W. with hazy weather ship steering E. by N. at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part moderate gale from north with drizzling weather ship hove to heading to the west at meridian the wind hauled to the S. W.
No Obs.

Monday Dec 19th

Commences with fresh breeze from S. W. with foggy weather ship heading to the Southward Middle and latter part light breeze at daylight steered off N. E. at 10 A. M. sighted Solanders island bearing N. E.
Lat. 46.° 58' S.

Tuesday Dec. 20th

Commences with moderate breeze from East with cloudy weather at noon raised Sperm whales going East lowered and got one to the waist boat the starboard boat struck one and lost him Solanders Rock bearing N. E. 25 miles dist at dark commenced cutting at 10 blowing moderate gale at midnight knocked off cutting weather being to rugged to cut latter part fresh gale from west ship hove to heading to the S. S. W. with the whale alongside
Lat. 47.° 12' S.
Long 166.° 34' E.

Barke Matilda (Sears)

Wednesday Dec 21st

First part fresh gale from west with Squally weather ship of hove to heading to the S. S. W. with the whale along side Middle & and latter part wind and weather the same at 5. A. M. wore ship to the north and hooked on to the whale to cut him in very heavy sea running at do South end of Stewards Island bearing N. E. 25 miles dist

Lat 47° 36' S.
Long 167° 24' E.

Thursday Dec 22nd

Commences with Moderate gale from west with Squally weather at 2. P. M finished cutting lost the head and saved the body with with some damages to the ship and men parted all the small chains took the big cable for fluke chain and the small cable for belly chain Middle and latter part fresh gale with heavy Squalls ship hove to heading to the S. S. W. at 5 A. M Commenced to boild

Lat 47° 56' S.
Long 167° 38' E.

Friday Dec 23rd

Commences with fresh gale from west with heavy Squalls ship hove to heading to the S. S. W. Middle and latter part the same at 6. A. M wore ship to the N. W. employed in boilding

Lat 48° 12' S.
Long 167° 43' E.

Saturday Dec 24th

First part moderate gale from west with Squally weather ship by the wind heading to the N. N. W. under all baring sail at 4. P. M. finished boilding Saw asail Steering East Middle part the same & latter part Strong winds from W. S. W. ship by the wind on opposite tacks at meridian South end of Steward Island bore N. W. 25 miles dist
employed in coopering Oil to stow

Cruising off Solanders Rock. 1870

Sunday Dec 25th

First part strong breeze from W.S.W. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at sundown took in sail latter part fine breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship steering different courses at meridian Solanders Rock bore E.N.E. 25 miles dist

Monday Dec 26th

First part fine breeze from South with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the westward at Sun down took in sail saw a steamer steering to the Eastward middle and latter part fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather Ship steering different courses under short sail at meridian Solanders Rock bore N.E. 25 miles dist crew employed in stowing down Oil in the fore hold

Tuesday Dec 27th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with foggy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at 2 P.M raised a lone sperm whale close to the ship lowered down the starboard boat and struck him at 6. do took to the ~~ship~~ whale to the ship Solanders bearing north 10 mile dist made sail to tow the whale ~~to the ship~~ off shore to clear the land middle and latter part wind and weather the Same with rugged sea Ship by the wind heading to the South under all drawing sail at 7 A.M. saw the land to the leeward 15 miles dist at meridian hooked on to the whale but could not cut weather being to rugged made sail again and headed by the wind to the South no Ob.

Wednesday Dec 28th

First part fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the South under all drawing sail with the whale alongside latter part wind from South at 9. P.M wore ship to the westward at do South end of Steward Island bore E.S.E. 10 mile dist at 4. A.M hooked on to the whale and commenced cutting heavy swell running to the north at meridian Solanders Island bore N.W. 15 miles dist Rufus B. Chase went off duty Sick

Barke Matilda Sears.

Thursday Dec 29th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with heavy sea running employed in cutting at midnight finished cutting the head at daylight cleared away the case at meridian commenced boiling ship steering S W. at 2 A.M. Solander Island bore N.N.E. 20 miles dist at noon wind from E.S.E. luffed to the wind heading to the South

Friday Dec 30th

First part moderate gale from East with clear weather ship hove to heading to the South latter part wind light crew employed in boiling and the cooper setting up cask for oil

Lat. 47° 15' S.

Saturday Dec 31st

First part light breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather ship ~~steering~~ heading to the S.E. under short sail, middle and latter part light airs from north with foggy weather employed in boiling

Lat. 47° 22' S.

Cruiseing Off Solanders

1871
Sunday January 1st

First part light airs from north with foggy weather ship heading to the East under short sail at 4. P. M finished boiling Middle and latter part light variable airs with drizling weather

Lat. 47° 22' S.

Monday Jan 2nd

First part light breeze from North with drizley weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. E. under Short Sail Middle and latter part wind from Eastward with foggy weather at daylight commenced to Stow down in the fore hold at 10. A. M raised Sperm whales lowered for them at 11. do the Starboard boat Struck.

No Obs.

Tuesday Jan 3rd

Commences with Moderate breeze from S. E. with foggy weather Ship beating to the windward for the boats at 6. P. M took the whale along Side the waist boat got capsised by the whale. Middle part Ship heading to the S. W. with the whale to the leeward employed in Stowing Oil in the fore hold latter part light breeze with clear weather at daylight hooked on the whale at noon finished cutting the body

Lat. 47° 25' S.
Long 166° 00

Wednesday Jan 4th

First part Moderate breeze from Southwest with clear weather hooked onto the whales head and took in the junk and case Middle part weather foggy employed in baleing the case latter part wind the Same with cloudy weather Ship heading to the N. W. employed in cutting junk at 10 A. M Started the works

No Obs.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Thursday Jan 5th

First part wind from S.E. with cloudy weather ship on the S.W. tack latter part fresh breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the South under easy sail crew employed in boiling and setting up shooks
no Obs.

Friday Jan 6th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the South latter part light breeze at 7 A.M. wore ship to the N.E. and made sail crew employed in boiling
no Obs.

Saturday Jan 7th

First part light breeze from South with cloudy weather Ship steering N.E. under short sail at 4 P.M. finished boiling the whole turned up 110 bbls, latter part clear weather at 6 A.M. luffed to the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in stowing oil in the fore hold at Meridian Solanders bore East 20 miles dist

Sunday Jan 8th

First part moderate breeze from South with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at 4 P.M. wore ship to the S.W. Saw a steamer steering to the westward latter part wind from S.E. at 11 A.M. raised Sperm whales Lowered in chase at Meridian Solanders bore E.N.E. 20 Miles dist

Monday Jan 9th

Commences with light airs from South with pleasant weather at 1 P.M. the Larboard boat struck at 3 do took the whale to the Ship & hooked on to the whale cut the head off at midnight finished cutting the body at daylight hooked on to the head and took it in at Meridian Solanders Island bore E.N.E. 12 miles dist

Cruising Off Solanders 1871

Tuesday Jan 10th

Commences with Moderate breeze from westward Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under short sail Cut up the junk and commence to boile latter part wind from Southeast with fine weather At meridian Solanders bore north 30 miles dist Rufus B. Chase emply on duty this day

Wednesday Jan 11th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with fine weather Ship steering different courses under easy sail at 6 P.M. luffed to the wind heading to the S.E. latter part wind from South Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward employed in boilding and setting up shooks for oil at meridian Solanders bore E by N 30 miles dist

Thursday Jan 12th

First part moderate breeze from South with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at 2 P.M. finished boilding latter part calm employed in stowing oil in the main hold at meridian Solanders bore E.N.E 25 miles dist

Friday Jan 13th

First part light airs and calm Middle part fresh breeze from N.N.W. with thick weather Ship heading to the west latter part heavy gale with a large Sea Ship hove to at meridian turned up the larboard end waist boat.

No Obs.

Saturday Jan 14th

First part Strong gale from N.N.W. with thick weather ship hove to heading to the west Middle and latter part heavy gale from north with hazy weather

Lat 47°31' S.
Long 165°47' E.

Sunday Jan 15th

First part fresh gale from north with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the west Middle and latter part wind and weather the same with heavy Sea running from the north

No Obs.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Monday Jan 16th

First part fresh gale from north with drizzling weather Ship hove to heading to the west Middle part gale moderate latter part wind from west with heavy swell ship heading to the north under short sail

Lat. 27°.59'S.
Long 165°.32'E.

Tuesday Jan 17th

First part fresh breeze from N.W. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the northward Middle and latter part the same employed in stowing water and flour between decks

Lat. 27° 31'S.
Long 166°.02'E.

Wednesday Jan 18th

First part fresh breeze from west with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. under short sail at 6 P.M. raised sperm whales five miles from the ship lowered for them at sundown the larboard boat struck at 11 P.M. took the whale to the ship latter part fresh breeze from S.W. at day hooked on to the whale and commenced cutting with heavy swell on no Obs.

Thursday Jan 19th

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with clear weather and heavy swell at sundown finished cutting Middle and latter part light airs with heavy swell at 4 A.M. commenced to boil Saw a steamer

Lat. 26°.56'S.
Long 166°.14'E.

Friday Jan 20th

First part light breeze from East with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the South Middle and latter part wind from South light employed in boiling

no Obs

Cruising off Solander 1871

Saturday Jan 21st

First part light breeze from South with pleasant weather ship on the western tack under easy sail latter part wind from S.E. ship heading to the E.N.E. At noon finished boiling Lat. 46°.46' S. Long 166°.10' E.

Sunday Jan 22nd

First part moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship heading to the E.N.E. Middle and latter part light air from S.W. ship heading heading to the S.E. At 8 A.M. raised Sperm whales lowered for them at meridian the boats in chase of the whales at do Solanders bore E.N.E. 30 miles dist

Monday Jan 23rd

First part light breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship waiting for the whales at 3 P.M. the Starboard struck and got stove in striking at 6 do took the whale to the ship and commenced cutting at daylight finished cutting the body at noon finished taking the case at do Solanders bore N.E. 10 miles dist

Tuesday Jan 24th

First part light airs from S.W. with pleasant weather made sail and headed to the southward employed in bailing the case Middle and latter part light winds from Eastward at 4 A.M. commenced boiling at meridian Solanders bore North 15 miles dist

Wednesday Jan 25th

First part fresh breeze from west with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part light variable wind employed in starting salt out of cask to put oil in and boiling Saw a ship steering to the East.

No Obs

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Jan 26th

First part light airs from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the S.W. Middle part fresh breeze from north latter part fresh gale with thick weather ship hove to heading to the west employed in boiling No Obs.

Friday Jan 27th

First part Strong gale from the north with thick weather Ship hove to heading to the west at 4 P.M. cool down the weather being to rough to boil at 10 turned up the waist boat and lashed every thing about the deck. Middle part the same latter part More moderate at 6 A.M. Started the works Lat 48° 07' S.

Saturday Jan 28th

First part light gale from N.W. with thick weather ship hove to heading to the W.S.W. at 2 P.M. Saw the Snares bearing East 10 miles dist at 4 P.M. finished boiling Middle and latter part fresh gale from the north with thick rainy weather No Obs.

Sunday Jan 29th

Commences with fresh gale from north with thick rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the west at 2 P.M the wind moderated and the weather broke away latter part wind from South with cloudy weather at 6 A.M. Steered off N.N.W. under double reef topsails Lat 47° 58' S.

Monday Jan 30th

First part fresh breeze from S.S.W. with cloudy weather ship steering N.N.W. under short sail at 1 P.M. Saw the Snares bearing East 15 Miles dist latter part wind from N.W. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.N.E. under short sail crew employed in stowing oil between decks abaft the blubber room At Meridian the Snares bore S.E. 20 Miles dist

Cruising off Solanders 1871

Tuesday Jan 31st

First part. moderate breeze from N.N.W. with rainy weather at 6. P.M. wore ship to the west latter part wind the same at 9. A.M. cleared away at do the Snares bearing E.N.E. Saw black fish crew employed in stowing down oil in the after hold

Wednesday Febuary 1st

First part. fresh breeze from N.W. with clear weather ship heading to the W.S.W. under short sail Middle part rainy latter part wind from South with cloudy weather at daylight Steered off N.W. and made sail employed in stowing provision off deck at Meridian the Snares bore N.E. 30 miles dist

Thursday Feb. 2nd

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather ship steering N.W. at Sundown shorten sail Middle and latter part light gale from South at 7. A.M. steered N.N.E.
Lat 46° 58' S.
Long 166° 06' E.

Friday Feb. 3rd

First part light gale from South with cloudy weather ship steering different courses under short sail at sundown luffed to the wind heading to the East. Middle and latter part moderate breeze from S.E. at 8. A.M. raised sperm whales lowered in chase at do Solanders bore E.N.E. 25 miles dist at noon the boats in chase of the whales

Saturday Feb. 4th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with fine weather at 2. P.M. the Larboard boat struck at 6. do took the whale to the ship and commenced to cut at 4. A.M. finised cutting the body at 7. do hooked on the head and cut it in latter part strong winds from South and rugged at noon Solanders bore E.S.E. 25 miles dist

Bark Matilda (Sears

Sunday Feb. 5th

First part Strong winds from South with rugged weather ship by the wind heading to the west crew employed in bailing the case latter part more moderate employed in cutting junk at 5 A.M. commenced to boil at meridian west Cape of the Middle Island bore East 25 miles dist

Monday Feb. 6th

Commences with light breeze from South with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the west under short sail Middle and latter part strong breezes from S.E. at 7 A.M. raised Sperm whales going to the S.E. quick lowered for them the Starboard boat got stove in lowering from the ship and started at a whale but did not get fast at meridian the boats returned to the ship at do west Cape of the Middle Island bore East 30 miles dist employed in boiling

Tuesday Feb 7th

First part fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. Middle part the same latter light airs crew employed in boiling No Obs.

Wednesday Feb. 8th

First part light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. at 2 P.M. finished boiling at 5 do wore ship to the East and made sail Middle part calm latter part fresh breeze from north with cloudy weather at 6 A.M. raised Sperm whales going S.E. lowered for them the Starboard boat struck at 11 do to the whale to the ship wind blowing a moderate gale

No Obs.

Cruising off Solanders 1871

Thursday Feb. 9th

First part Moderate gale from North with rainy weather and rugged Sea ship laying with the whale along side heading to the west Middle part heavy gale at 2 A. M. the wind hauled to the S. W. blowing fresh gale with very heavy Swell Lat. 47° 00' S.
Long 165° 34' E.

Friday Feb 10th

First part fresh gale from S. W. with Squally weather Ship laying to with the whale along side heading to the South at 6 P. M. the fluke chain parted and lost the whale from along side Made sail and worked the ship to the whale to Strick him from the ship but could not get near enough to Strick him Middle part wind and weather the same with heavy Sea running Ship on opposite tacks keeping run of the whale at 8 A. M run the Ship to the whale and fasting to him with irons and flucked him with the Anchor chain took in Sail and hove to heading to the South large Swell from the S. W. running Lat. 47° 09' S.
Long 165° 30' E.

Saturday Feb. 11th

First part Moderate gale from west with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the South with the whale along Side weather to rugged to cut latter part wind from N. W. blowing a gale at daylight hooked onto the whale and commenced cutting the body
Lat. 48° 10' S.

Sunday Feb 12th

First part Moderate gale from N. W. with clear weather and rugged at 4 P. M finished cutting the whale lost the head at do wore ship to the S. W. middle and latter part the same at daylight commenced boiling Lat. 47° 30' S.
Long 167° 10' E.

Monday Feb. 13th

First part fresh breeze from S. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. E. Middle and latter part light breeze from S. E. Ship on different tacks at Meridian South end of Stewart Island bore north 25 miles and employed in boiling

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday Feb. 14th

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with clear weather ship heading to the S.E. at 4. P.M finished boiling Middle and latter part the same employed in stowing oil between decks in the fore hold and blubber room Lat 47°.52' S.

Wednesday Feb 15th

First part light breeze from north with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under short sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze with rain no obs.

Thursday Feb. 16th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with rainy weather at 2. P.M the wind hauled to the west blowing gale Ship hove to heading to the north under storm sails Middle part fresh gale and Squally latter part more ~~steady~~ moderate Ship by the wind heading to the North at noon the main topsail foot rope parted and splited the sail to the head un bent it and sent it down

Lat 47°.43' S.
Long 170°.00' E.

Friday Feb. 17th

First part moderate gale from west with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the north got out a new main topsail and bent it Middle and latter part Strong winds from S.W. Ship steering to the north at 9. A.M hove to off Otago heads and was boarded by a pilot we stoped to find out if we could send our oil home but there was no chance to send it at 10 do kept off N.E. by N. and made all sail crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Saturday Feb. 18th

First part good breeze from South with fine weather Ship steering course N.E. by N. under all sail at 8. P.M died away calm Middle and latter part light breeze from north with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the East crew employed in repairing the Gaff topsails and scraping the masts

Lat 45°.9'
Long 173°.02' E.

Steering to the North 1871

Sunday Feb 19th

First part calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same
Lat 15° 01' S.
Long 173° 21' E.

Monday Feb 20th

First part light breeze from the Eastward Ship Steering N.N.E. under all Sail Middle and latter part wind from N.E. Ship by the wind heading N.N.W. crew employed in getting the fish tackles and doing other jobs about the ship land in sight Lat 13° 40' S Long 173° 42

Tuesday Feb 21st

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W under all sail at 8. P. M tacked ship to the S.E. Middle and latter part wind the same at daylight tacked Ship to the N.N.W. crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 13° 05' S.
Long 173° 58' E.

Wednesday Feb 22nd

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. under all sail at 6. P. M tacked ship to the Eastward land in sight bearing to the west 20 miles dist Saw a sail
Middle and latter part wind the same Ship heading to the E.S.E. No Obs.

Thursday Feb 23rd

First part fresh breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship heading to the Eastward at 2. P. M took in the light sails Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 6. A M wore ship to the N.N.W.
No Obs

Friday Feb 24th

First part Strong winds from N.E with cloudy weather and rugged Ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. under all drawing sail
Middle and latter part moderate gale from N.N.E with thick rainy weather at 8. A. M. wore Ship to the East
No. Obs.

Barke Matilda Sears

Saturday Feb 25th

First part Moderate gale from North with thick rainy weather ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part wind from N.E. At 10 A.M. Spoke the Ship Clione at do wore ship to the N.W. weather thick and rainy

No Obs.

Sunday Feb 26th

First part Moderate gale from N.E. with thick rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the N.W. under Storm Sails at 7. P.M. wore ship to the S.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same

No Obs

Monday Feb 27th

First part the wind died away calm with thick fog at 4 P.M. took moderate breeze from S.W. with a heavy swell from north Steered course N.E. by N. Set the main topsail whole and the fore sail Middle and latter part Moderate latter part breeze from South with cloudy weather ship steering N.N.E. under all drawing sail

Lat. 23° 56' S.
Long 177° 14' E.

Tuesday Feb 28th

First part Moderate breeze from South with cloudy weather ship steering north under all drawing sail Middle part light breeze and calm with rainy weather Ship steering North latter part fresh breeze from S.E. at 10 A.M. the wind increased to a gale took in the light sails at 11 do took in all sail but close reef main topsail and hove to heading to the East Blowing heavy gale from S.S.E. with rain No Obs.

Wednesday March 1st

First part heavy gale from S.S.E. & with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the East turned up the lee boats at 8. P.M. weather cleared away and the wind moderated down to light breeze with very heavy swell running from S.E. Ship rolling heavy latter part Moderate breeze from S.E. at 5 A.M. Steered course north and made sail very heavy sea from Southward

Lat. 21° 31' S.
Long 178° 26' E.

rove new fore topsail reef tackles bunt lines and clew lines

Steering to the North 1871

Thursday March 2nd

First part moderate breeze from S.S.E. with pleasant weather and heavy sea ship steering North under all drawing sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.W. with squally weather

Lat. 39° 37' S.
Long 178° 35' E.

Friday March 3rd

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with clear weather ship steering course North under all drawing sail Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from South at 5 A.M. East Cape bore West at so steered N.W. Saw two sails. crew employed in washing ship inside

Lat. 37° 30' S

Saturday March 4th

First part Moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering course W.N.W. under all sail Middle and latter part wind from North ship steering W.N.W. Saw the land bearing to the S.W. crew employed in finishing washing ship inside and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat 36° 23' S

Monday March 5th

First part moderate breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship Steering N.W. by W. under all sail Middle and latter part Moderate gale from all points of the compass with Squalls and heavy rain Ship hove to heading with the wind under Storm Sails at Meridian wind from S.W. the weather cleared away

No Obs.

Tuesday March 6th

Commences with Moderate gale from S.W with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all bearing sail at Sundown Sighted the land bearing to the S.W. Middle part Strong variable winds at 9 P.M. tacked ship to the westward at daylight Cape Brett bore west 20 Miles dist latter part fresh gale from Northwest with heavy Squalls took in all sail but the storm Sails and hove the Ship to heading to the Northward Saw a steamer

Bark. Matilda Sears

Tuesday March 7th

First part fresh gale from west with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the Northward Middle and latter part Moderated breeze from west with fine weather Ship beating to westward trying to get to the Bay of Islands at Meridian Cape Brett bore W.S.W. 10 miles dist

Wednesday March 8th

First part Moderate breeze from S. W. with pleasant weather ship beating to the westward Middle part calm latter part light and calm ship working to the windward into the Bay of Islands at 9 A M the Capt went on shore with a boat Ship laying off and on

Thursday March 9th

Commences with Moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather at 8. P. M came to anchor at the Bay of Islands
crew employed in washing ship outside and fitting the cutting Straps

Friday March 10th

Fine weather employed in painting and taring down got 50 bbls water and done other jobs about the ship

Saturday March 11th

Fine weather employed in cleaning iron work and taring down painted the main mast and the bowsprit and got a small raft water

Sunday March 12th

Fine weather doing nothing

Monday March 13th

Strong breeze from N. E. with drizzley weather Employed in different jobs about the ship

Laying At the Bay of Islands 1871

Tuesday March 14th

Fresh gale from N. E. with rainy weather hove short and drifted out of the way of the rest of the Ships and came to anchor with two Anchors Sent Anthony Mangalda and William Rodgers onshore to be discharged sick

Wednesday March 15th

First part of the day rainy weather latter part clear hove up the port Anchor broke out and Shipped on board the Northern Light 2174 gallons of Sperm oil Rufus B. Chase went off duty with the venerial disease

Thursday March 16th

Fine weather employed in Shipping oil by the Hunter and Northern Light Shipped on board the Hunter 5230 gallons and by the Northern Light 402 gallons

Friday March 17th

Fine weather employed in Shipping oil by the Hunter. Northern Light and Osmanli Shipped on board the Hunter 1081 gallons and 1232 on board the Northern Light hauled ship and moved to the Northern Light total amount shipped by the Hunter 6290 galls

Saturday March 18th

Strong breeze from N. E with heavy rain fore part of the day employed in shipping oil on board the Northern Light in the afternoon hauled off and came to anchor

Sunday March 19th

Fine weather nothing doing

~~Tuesd~~ Monday March 20th

Fine weather at daylight hauled alongside the Northern Light to discharge oill at noon hauled off and hauled to the Osmanli to discharge more Oill total Amount by the Northern Light 8593 galls
William Brown 1st Officer intoxicated and disobedient went on shore against orders had him William Brown put in prison by the Capt William D. Gifford and discharged by mutual consent

Bark. Matilda Sears

Tuesday March 21st Fine weather employed in shipping oil on board the Osmanli at K. P. Am hauled off and came to anchor Rufus D. Chase went on duty

Wednesday March 22nd Fine weather employed in cleaning the between decks tarring down rigging blue and painting the bends

Thursday March 23rd Good weather employed in shooking cask and doing other jobs in the hold

Friday March 24th Fresh breeze from N. E. with cloudy weather employed in painting out side Sent one watch on liberty at Sundown commenced to blow a gale from N. E. let go the second anchor and paid out all the chain on both anchors it blowed a very heavy gale from N. E. with rain all night most of the ships dragged about the Harbor

Saturday March 25th First part of the day strong gale from west the gale shifted from N. E. to the west at daylight at noon sent the boat in for the watch weather being to rough to send the boat on shore up to this time

Sunday March 26th Strong breeze from S. W. with fine weather nothing doing

Monday March 27th Strong breeze from S. W. with clear weather employed in painting Ship out side painted the Starboard boat out side and done other jobs about the ship.

Laying at the Bay of Islands 1871

Tuesday March 28th

Strong breeze from S.W. with clear weather employed in ~~st~~ riding off the hold and painting the larboard boat out side and doing other jobs about the ship

Wednesday March 29th

Fine weather employed in painting ship out side and doing other job about the ship

Thursday March 30th

Fine weather employed in finishing painting out side and doing other jobs about the ship painted the main mast

Friday March 30th

Fine weather employed in getting ready for sea

Saturday April 1st

First part of the day calm with rainy weather latter part moderate breeze from north ward fair weather at 2. P.M. got underway and beat out to sea at 4 do stowed the anchors and chains

Sunday April 2nd

First and latter part moderated breeze from westward with fine weather ship beating to the N.W. at 2. P.M. came to anchor in Monganui Harbor to get our stocks and provision wood and water

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Monday April 3rd First and latter part of the day fresh breeze from S.E. with heavy rain let go the Second anchor

Tuesday April 4th First part of the day fresh gale from S.E. with rainy weather latter part the wind hauled to the N.W. and cleared way got off on Board one sett of Shooks and commenced to set them up

Wednesday April 5th Fine weather employed in setting up shooks for water took the new sails out of the sail room and stowed them in cask

Thursday April 6th Fine weather employed in setting up cask for water took one of the Port Stays took off one [illegible] and put on a Shackle

Friday April 7th Fine weather employed in setting up cask for water Sent a raft ashore and filled it

Saturday April 8th Fine weather employed in setting up cask and got off a raft of water stowed part of it between decks

Sunday April 9th Fine weather nothing doing

Monday April 10th Fine weather employed in setting up cask for water got off a small raft water and stowed it in the after hold

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Tuesday April 11th Good weather employed in setting up cask for water took on board a lanch load of wood and a small raft of water

Wednesday April 12th Fine weather employed in setting up cask and got off a raft of water and run it in the tanks

Thursday April 13th Fine weather employed in setting up cask got off a raft of water lanch load of wood and two boat loads of potatoes and stowed off part of the fore hold and bent a new fore topmast staysaill

Friday April 14th Fine weather employed in coopering cask for the ground tier and stowing the ground in the fore hold got a lanch load of shooks and shook heads bilge and putting the main topsail took off a lanch load of wood

Saturday April 15th Fore part of the day rainy weather employed in stowing off the fore hold latter part clear got off a lanch load of provisions and stowed it

Sunday April 16th Squally weather wind from west

Monday April 17th Squally weather employed in getting off provisions and stowing them in the fore hold and took off a small quantity of wood

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday April 18th Squally weather with the wind from the west employed in getting ready for sea

Wednesday April 19th Commences with moderate breeze from South at 8 A.M. Sea account got under way and stood to Sea Stowed the anchors and chains employed in fitting the main topsail

Thursday April 20th Commences with fine breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering to the N.N.W. at 4 P.M. North Cape bore S. 15 miles dist hauled up and steered W. by N. Middle and latter part light breeze from S.S.E. ship by the wind heading to the S.W. at daylight the Three Kings bore ~~W.~~ E.N.E. 15 miles dist employed in roping the main topsail with new rope and painted the waist boat out side

Friday April 21st Commences with moderate breeze from S.S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. under all sail Middle and latter part light breeze employed in making Spunyarn unbent the fore topsail and bent the old main topsail for a fore topsail Lat. 35°.02

Saturday April 22nd First part moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all sail Middle and latter part wind from E.S.E. ship heading to the South crew employed in making Spunyarn and doing other jobs about the ship Lat. 36°.39 S.

Steering to the Southward 1871

Sunday April 23rd

First part moderate breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather ship steering South under all sail Middle and latter part wind from N.E. Ship steering South Lat 38°.56' S.
Long 169°.20' E.

Monday April 24th

First part Moderate breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship steering course South under all sail Middle and part wind from N.W. crew employ in different jobs about the ship got out the Slopcask and dealt out clothes to the men Lat. 40°.52' S.
Long 168°.58' E.

Tuesday April 25th

Commences with light airs from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering course South Middle and latter part light airs and calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship and making Spunyarn Lat. 41°.19' S.
Long 168°.38' E.

Wednesday April 26th

First part light airs from North with pleasant weather ship steering course S by W. latter part fresh breeze with cloudy weather employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 42°.37' S.
Long 168°.20' E

Thursday April 27th

First part fresh breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering course South at sundown took all sail but double reef topsails Middle and latter part light breeze with foggy weather No Obs

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday April 28th

First part light airs from S. W. with foggy weather Ship Steering to the South under easy sail at Sundown hauled to the wind heading to the westward Middle and latter part Calm with clear weather at meridian Milford Haven bore S. E. 20 miles dist

Saturday April 29th

First part calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part light breeze from north with fine weather ship Steering different Courses at meridian Milford Haven bore East 25 miles dist

Sunday April 30th

First part moderate breeze from North with pleasant weather ship steered various Courses at sundown took in sail latter part fresh breeze from South with clear weather Ship Steering different Courses at meridian Milford Haven bore E. S. E. 25 Miles dist

Monday May 1st

First part fresh breeze from South with pleasant weather at Sundown took in Sail Middle part calm latter part fresh breeze from North with pleasant weather ship heading to the westward at Meridian Milford Haven bore S. E. 60 miles dist

Tuesday May 2nd

First part fresh breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship steering various Courses under double reef topsails Middle and latter part wind the same Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward at meridian Milford Haven bore S. E. 20 miles dist

Cruising off Milford Haven 1871

Wednesday May 3rd

First part Moderate gale from north with cloudy weather Ship hove to heading to the westward Middle and latter part wind the same with rainy weather
No Obs

Thursday May 4th

First part Moderate gale from North with rainy weather Ship hove to heading to the westward at Sundown the wind hauled to the S.W. Ship heading to the S.E. at Meridian land in sight bearing S.E. 10 miles dist

Friday May 5th

First part Moderate gale from S.W. with Squally weather Ship hove to at 2 PM wore Ship to the westward Middle part the same latter part more moderate Ship steering various courses under short sail at Meridian Milford Haven bore E.S.E. 25 miles dist

Saturday May 6th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with Squally weather Ship steering to the northward at Sundown luffed to the wind heading to the westward latter part light breeze from west with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the north Saw the land broke out butter and coffee

Sunday May 7th

First part light breeze from west with cloudy weather at Sundown tacked Ship to the Southward also took in sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze from the west with Squally weather Saw a sail Saw the land

Bark Matilda Sears

Monday May 8th

First part fresh breeze from west with squally weather Ship steering various courses spoke the Bark Emily Downing at sundown took in sail latter part weather the same Ship by the wind heading to the South

Lat. 13° 19'

Tuesday May 9th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the southward under short sail latter part wind and weather the same at 11. P.M. wore ship to the westward at Meridian Cascade Point bore E.S.E. 40 miles dist. William Butler went off duty with the venerial disease.

Wednesday May 10th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward at sundown wore Ship to the Eastward and took in sail Middle and latter part light gale weather the same

Lat. 13° 34' S.

Thursday May 11th

First part light gale from S.W. with squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under short sail Middle and latter part calm at Meridian Cascade point bore South 20 miles dist.

Friday May 12th

First part calm with cloudy weather Middle and latter part fresh breeze from Southward with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under short sail at Meridian Cascade point bore S.E. 40 miles dist.

Cruising off Milford Haven

Saturday May 13th First part fresh breeze from Southward with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under short sail latter part weather the same Ship heading to the Eastward at meridian Cascade point bearing S.E. 80 Miles dist

Sunday May 14th First part fresh breeze from Southward with clear weather at 5. P.M. tacked Ship to the westward Cascade point bearing South 10 miles dist Middle and latter part wind the same Ship by the wind on opposite tacks

Monday May 15th First part fresh breeze from Southward and rugged Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Middle and latter part more moderate at meridian Milford Haven bore S.S.E. 25 Miles dist

Tuesday May 16th First part fresh breeze from South with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the Westward under Short sail Middle and latter part Strong wind from S.W. and rugged Ship heading to the westward.

Lat. 43° 10' S.
Long 166° 30' E.

Wednesday May 17th First part Strong winds from S.W. with Squally weather and rugged at 6. P.M. wore ship to the South Middle and latter part moderate gale from west with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the South

Lat. 43° 11' S

Bark Matilda Sears.

Thursday May 18th First part Moderate gale from west with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part fresh gale from S.W. with heavy squalls
Lat 43°13' S.

Friday May 19th First part fresh gale from S.W. with heavy squalls Ship hove to heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part the same
No Obs.

Saturday May 20th First part Fresh gale from S.W. with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the S.E. Middle part the same latter part moderate at 5 P.M. wore ship to the westward land in sight set the topsails double reefed.
Lat 42°56' S.
Long 168°42' E.

Sunday May 21st First part Strong winds from S.S.W. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the westward under double reefed topsails Middle and latter part wind light [illegible] Ship heading to the N.W.
Lat 42°00' S.
Long 166°41 E.

Monday May 22nd First part fresh breeze from W.S.W. with squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part Strong winds with clear weather
Lat 40°25' S.
Long 165°35' E.

Cruising for Sperm Whales 1871

Tuesday May 23rd First part strong winds from W.S.W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part the same
Lat. 39°24' S.
Long 161°14' E.

Wednesday May 24th First part fresh breeze from W.S.W. with clear weather weather ship by the wind under all drawing sail Middle and latter part more moderate
Lat 37°51' S.
Long 163°34' E.

Thursday May 25th First part fine breeze from W.S.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all drawing sail latter part wind wind hauled to the S.E. ship steering S.W.
Lat. 37°58' S.
Long 161°56' E.

Friday May 26th First part fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather ship steering S.W. by W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind from N.E. with cloudy weather
No Obs

Saturday May 27th First part fresh breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship steering course S.W. by W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part moderate gales with thick weather Saw a number of finbacks and porpoise
No Obs

Bark Matilda Sears

Sunday May 28th
First part Moderate gale from N. E. with rainy weather ship Steering course S. W. by W. under all drawing sail Middle part wind more moderate with rainy weather latter part the wind hauled to the South with rain blowing moderate gale took in all sail but close reefed main topsail and hove to heading to the west

Monday May 29th
First part fresh gale from South with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the west Middle part variable weather latter part fresh gale from west with heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the South Saw a sail
No Obs

Tuesday May 30th
First part fresh gale from west with heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part Strong gale from S. W. with heavy squally weather ship hove to heading to the S. E.
Lat. 39° 46' S.
Long 151° 56' E.

Wednesday May 31st
First part Strong gale from S. W. with Squally weather at 4 P. M. wore ship to the westward Middle and latter part more moderate
Lat. 38° 57' S.
Long 151° 02' E.

Thursday June 1st
First part Strong wind from S. W. with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the westward under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 2 P. M. wore ship to the Southward
Lat. 38° 43' S.
Long 150° 39' E.

Cruising for Sperm Whale 1871

Friday June 2nd First part Strong winds from S.W. with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind from W.S.W. broke out the between decks forward and and stowed over and got out meat Saw a sail

Lat 40° 08' S.

Saturday June 3rd First part fresh breeze from Westward Ship by the wind heading to the Southward Middle and latter part Strong winds from N.W. Ship steering course S.W. at 1 A.M. Steered S.W. by S. at daylight made the land East coast of Van Diemen's Land at meridian Maria Island bore S.S.W. 30 miles dist

Sunday June 4th First part Strong winds from N.W. with fair weather Ship Steering S.S.W. under all drawing sail at 6 P.M. the wind hauled from the South ship by the wind heading to the E.S.E. latter part wind from S.W. with heavy swell Ship on opposite tacks at meridian Cape Pillar bore W.N.W. 20 miles dist

Monday June 5th First part baffling winds from the S.W. with light squalls ship by the wind heading to the S.S.E. under all sail Middle and latter part Strong wind from S.W. with squally weather Ship under all drawing sail

Lat 42° 38' S.

Bark Matilda, Sears

Tuesday June 6th First part Strong
winds from S.S.W. with Squally weather
at 4 P.M. wore ship to the westward
Middle part wind from S.E. Ship Steering course
W.S.W. Latter part wind from East Ship Steering
W.N.W.
Lat 44° 21′ S.
Long 147° 55′ E.

Wednesday June 7th First part fresh breezes
from the Eastward with Squally weather Ship
Steering W.N.W. at 4 P.M. Sighted the land
at Sundown shorten sail Latter part moderate
breezes with clear weather Ship Steering to the N.W. with
the land at Meridian Southwest Cape bore
N.N.E. 20 Miles dist

Thursday June 8th First part Moderate breeze
from East with pleasant weather ship Steering
to the N.W. at Sundown took in sail Spoke
the brig Rolocefi Middle and latter part
light breeze from S.W. Ship Steering to the N.W.
At Meridian Port Davey bore East 25 miles dist

Friday June 9th First part light breeze
from S.W. with cloudy weather ship Steering to the
N.W. at Sundown took in sail and wore ship
to the S.E. Middle and latter part the same
at Meridian Southwest Cape bore E. by N. 15
miles dist William Butler went on duty

Saturday June 10th First part Moderate
breeze from W.S.W. with cloudy weather ship by the
wind heading to the southward at 4 P.M. wore
ship to the North Middle part fresh breeze
from North Latter part the wind hauling
to the S.W. with rain Ship heading to the
W.N.W. under short sail. Saw the land
no Obs

Cruising for Sperm Whale 1871

Sunday June 11th First part light gale from S.W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the W.N.W. Middle part the same latter part wind from west with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the northward at meridian Port Davey Bore East 10 miles dist

Monday June 12th First part Squally weather wind from North to S.W. at 4 P.M. wore ship off shore to the Southward Middle and latter part wind from West at 7 A.M. wore ship to the N. at meridian Southwest Cape bore North 8 miles dist

Tuesday June 13th First part Strong winds from westward with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the S.W. Saw a sail Middle and latter part moderate gale from North with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the westward

Wednesday June 14th First part fresh gale from North with thick weather ship hove to heading to the westward Middle part the same latter part wind from S.W. at daylight wore ship to the W.N.W.

Lat. 44° 29' S.
Long 151° 28' E.

Thursday June 15th First part moderate gale from S.W. with squally weather ship hove to heading to the W.N.W. latter part Strong winds from West ship heading to the north

Lat. 43° 57' S.
Long 155° 05

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday June 16th First part Strong winds from west weather hazy ship by the wind heading to the north Middle and latter part light breeze from north at meridian Port Davey bore N.E. 10 miles dist.

Saturday June 17th First part moderate breeze from north with variable weather ship on opposite tacks Middle and latter light breeze with pleasant weather broke out rice and towline at meridian Southwest Cape bore N.E. 20 miles dist

Sunday June 18th First part Calm with pleasant weather saw a sail Middle part light airs from S.E. ship heading N.E. latter part winds from East at daylight raised sperm whale going to the leeward at 12 Southwest Cape bore north 15 miles, lowered for the whales and got one to the ~~[illegible]~~ Starboard boat the boat got stoved in striking at meridian took the whale to the ship

Monday June 19th Commences with fresh breeze from the East with clear weather at noon commenced cutting at 5 P.M. finished cutting the body and left the head alongside Middle and latter part strong winds from Eastward at daylight took the head in, and cleared the decks away at 10 A.M. set the storm sails and wore ship to the north Saw four sails spoke the Brig Maid of Erin at meridian Port Davey bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Of. Southeast Cape of Vandiemensland 1871

Tuesday June 20th First part Strong winds
from East with clear weather and squally Ship heads
to the northward cut the junk up and started
the works Middle and latter part Moderate breeze
Ship by the wind heading to the north Saw a ship
whaling at meridian Port Davey bore N. E. 25 miles
dist Employed in boiling

Wednesday June 21st First part Moderate
breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship steering
various courses at Sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part calm at midnight finished
boiling employed in stowing down the oil in
the after hold Saw three sails at meridian
port Davey bore N. E. 30 miles dist

Thursday June 22nd
and l First part calm Middle
and latter part the same Saw one sail
at meridian port Davey bore N. E. 30 miles
dist

Friday June 23rd First part Calm
Middle and latter part light breeze from north
with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite
tacks Saw three sails at meridian port Davey
bore N. N. E. 25 Miles dist

Saturday June 24th First part Strong breeze
from north
with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading
to the west At Sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part Moderate gale from
north at daylight wore ship to the westward
Saw the Land and three sails

Bark. Matilda Sears

Sunday June 25th First part moderate gale from north with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the west at 4 P.M. the wind hauled to the westward ship heading to the South Middle and latter part moderate breeze from S.W. with rain squalls and large swell Saw three sails at meridian Southwest Cape bore East 20 miles dist

Monday June 26th First part moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light gale from N.W. with cloudy weather at daylight wore ship to the S.W. at meridian Southwest Cape bore East 15 miles dist. Saw one sail

Tuesday June 27th First part moderate gale from N.W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the S.W. Middle part blowing fresh latter part more moderate at 8 A.M. wore ship to the North Saw a sail

Lat. 44° 03' S.

Wednesday June 28th First part moderate gale from N.W. with clear weather ship heading to the north at 4 P.M. wore ship to the S.W. Middle and latter part the same Saw a sail

no Obs

Thursday June 29th First part moderate gale from N.W. with squally weather ship hove to heading to the S.W. Middle part the same latter part wind from the north with rain squalls Saw a sail and land got out meat and rove new fore topsail brace

Cruising off the Southwest Cape of Vandiemensland

Friday June 30th 1871

First part Commences with fresh gale from North with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the west at 4. P.M. the wind hauled to the N.W. ship heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part more moderate weather squally Saw a sail

Lat. 44.°11' S.
Long 146.° 18' E.

Saturday July 1st

Commences with Strong winds from W.S.W. with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part variable winds with heavy squalls with hale at 9. A.M. wore ship to the S.W. Mew Stone bearing west 20 Miles dist. Saw three sails

Sunday July 2nd

Commences with Strong winds from westward with heavy squalls ship by the wind heading to the Southward Middle and latter part fresh gale with heavy squalls Saw a sail

Lat. 44.°45' S.

Monday July 3rd

First part fresh gale from N.W. with heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the S.W. at 3. A.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. wore ship to the N.W. winds blowing fresh gale

Lat. 44.°35' S.
Long 146.°45' E.

Tuesday July 4th

First part fresh gale from S.W. with heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the W.N.W. latter part a gale from N.W. with the same at 7. A.M. wore ship to the S.W. Mew Stone bearing west 6. miles dist

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Wednesday July 5th First part fresh gale from N. W. with Squally weather ship hove too heading to the S. W. Middle and latter part the same
no Obs

Thursday July 6th Commences with fresh gale from N. W. with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the S. W. at 4. P. M the wind hauled to the S. W. wore ship to the N. W. Middle part the same latter part the wind hauled to the west at 8. A. M wore ship to the south
no Obs

Friday July 7th First part fresh gale from west with heavy Squalls ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part heavy gale with large sea at 1. A. M lost the waist Boat off the Cranes by a sea and every thing belonging to it
Lat. 44° 16' S.
Long 147° 57' E.

Saturday July 8th First part heavy gale from west with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part the same
no Obs

Sunday July 9th First part heavy gale from west with Squally weather and large sea running ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part the same
Lat. 44° 22' S.
Long 149° 20' E.

Off the Southwest Cape of Vandiemensland
Monday July 10th 1871
First part fresh gale from
S. W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading
to the Southward Middle and latter part wind
from N. W. more moderate wore ship to the north
at 10 A. M. wore back to the W. S. W.
Lat. 44° 25' S.
Long 147° 30' E.

Tuesday July 11th
First part moderate
breeze from N. W. with pleasant weather
ship by the wind heading to the W. S. W. under
all sail Middle part strong winds latter
latter part the wind hauled to the west blowing
a gale took in sail and hove to heading to the
Southward
Lat. 44° 56' S.
Long 147° 44' E.

Wednesday July 12th
First part fresh gale
from west with squally weather ship hove to
heading to the Southward Middle and latter
part wind and weather the same at 6 A. M. wore
ship to the northward
Lat 45° 11' S.
Long 148° 00' E.

Thursday July 13th
First part fresh gale
from the west with squally weather ship hove
to heading to the northward Middle part more
moderate latter part calm with large sea
running
Lat. 44° 42' S.
Long 148° 00' E.

Friday July 14th
Commences with
Calm with clear weather and heavy sea
at 5 P. M. took fresh breeze from N. N. E.
Steered W. by N. at 5 A. M. the wind
hauled to the N. W. with drizzling weather
blowing moderate gale took in sail
and hove to heading to the S. W.

Bark Mattilda Sears Cruiseing

Saturday July 15th First part fresh gale from N. W. with drizzle weather Ship Hove to heading to the S. b W. Middle and latter part heavy gale from west with very heavy Squalls
No. Obs

Sunday July 16th First part heavy gale from west with very heavy Squalls Ship hove to heading to the South at 3. P. M. took in the main topsails wind blowing heavy with Successional Squalls Middle and latter part the same
No Obs

Monday July 17th First part fresh gale from west with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the South under main Spencer and fore topmast staysail Middle part wind from N. E. latter part wind hauled to the N. W. blowing heavy at 10 A. M. the wind shifted suddenly to the S. W.
Lat. 45° 35' S.
Long 147° 27' E.

Tuesday July 18th Commences with a gale from S. W. with cloudy weather Ship hove to heading to the N. W. Set the main topsail close reefed Middle and latter part more moderate Saw the land Broke out meat and oil to burn
Lat. 42° 16' S.
Long 147° 55' E.

Wednesday July 19th Commences with a gale from west with squally weather at 5. P. M. wore ship to the South. Middle and latter part the same wind from S. W.
Lat. 43° 45' S.

Off the Southwest Cape of Vandiemensland

Thursday July 20th 1871

First part fresh gale from S.W. with squally weather ship hove to heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part the same.

Lat. 43° 51' S.
Long 149° 40' E.

Friday July 21st

Commences with fresh gale from westward with squally weather at 4 P.M. wore ship to the westward so the wind from S.S.W. Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 43° 25' S.
Long 149° 11' E.

Saturday July 22nd

First part moderate gale from S.W. with squally weather at 6 P.M. wore ship to the Southward Middle and latter part calm employed in repairing damages last gange way board and figer head in the gale

Lat. 43° 23' S.

Sunday July 23rd

Commences with calm with cloudy weather Middle and latter part moderate breeze from N.N.E. with fair weather ship steering S.W. by W. under all sail Saw the land

Lat. 43° 53' S.
Long 143° 20' E.

Monday July 24th

First part fresh breeze from N.N.E with cloudy weather ship steering along the land to the westward latter part light airs from north employed in getting water out of the fore hold and putting it in the tank. Saw two sails at Meridian Southwest Cape bore north 15 miles dist

Bark Mathilda Sears Cruising

Tuesday July 25th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering [illegible] N.W. Spoke ship Asia at Sundown shorten sail latter part wind from S.W. ship heading to the N.W. at meridian Port Davey bore East 20 miles dist Saw two Sails

Wednesday July 26th

First part fresh breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather Ship heading to the N.W. at Sundown Shorten sail latter part light breeze from the Southwest at daylight wore ship to the S.E. Saw the land

Thursday July 27th

Commences with light airs and calm Middle and latter part Strong variable winds with Squalls and rain Ship on different tacks Saw the land
Lat. 43° 19' S.

Friday July 28th

Commences with Strong winds from westward with Squalls and rain and rugged ship on opposite tacks under short sail latter part light gale from South land in sight
Lat. 43° 29' S.

Saturday July 29th

First part Strong winds from South with Squally weather ship steering various courses under short sail. latter part moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind on different tacks land in sight Rocky Point bearing N.E. 10 miles dist Saw a sail

Off the Southwest Cape of Vandimensland 1871

Sunday July 30th

Commences with Moderate breeze from S.W. with fair weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.E. at sundown took in sail Latter part strong winds from west with squally weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks at Meridian Southwest Cape bore E.N.E. 20 Miles dist

Monday July 31st

Commences with Strong winds from west with squally weather Middle and latter part Moderate gale at 8 A.M. wore ship to the Southwest at no Southwest Cape bore N.E. 10 Miles dist

Tuesday August 1st

First part fresh gale from N.W. with hazy weather Ship hove to heading to the Southwest Middle and latter part more Moderate at 7 A.M. wore ship to the north

No Obs

Wednesday Aug 2nd

Commences with strong winds and rugged with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at 2 P.M. spoke the schooner Tenesser from Port Louise bound to New Zealand Latter part calm at Meridian Southwest Cape bore E.N.E. 20 Miles dist

Thursday Aug 3rd

Commences with calm Middle and latter part Strong winds from N.W. with hazy weather and rugged Ship by the wind on opposite tacks at Meridian Southwest Cape bore N.E. 25 Miles dist

Barke. Mattilda. Sears. Cruiseing

Friday August 4th.
First part fresh gale from N.W. with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the westward Middle and latter part the same Saw a sail at 10. A. M wore ship to the north
No Obs

Saturday Aug 5th.
Commences with Strong winds from west with cloudy weather and heavy swell ship heading to the north Middle and latter part the same At Meridian Mew Stone bore N.N.E. 10 miles dist
Saw a sail

Sunday Aug 6th.
Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship on the Southwest tack. Middle and latter part the same at 9. A. M wore ship to the Northward
Saw a sail
Lat. 44°27'S.

Monday Aug 7th.
Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with fair weather
Middle and latter part a gale from west with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the Southwest.
Lat. 44°37'S.

Tuesday Aug 8th.
First part moderate gale from west with Squally weather at 2. P. M. wore ship to the northward
Middle and latter part Strong winds from Southwest with Squall At Meridian Sighted Southwest Cape bearing N.E.
Lat. 44°01'S.

Off the Southwest Cape of Vandiemens land 187,

Wednesday August 9th First part Strong winds from Southward with Squally weather Ship Steering various courses At Sundown took in Sail Middle and latter part light variable airs with cloudy weather At Meridian Port Davey bore East 25 miles dist Saw asail

Thursday Aug 10th Commences with light airs from N.W. with cloudy weather Middle part wind from South latter part wind from S.W. with fogs squalls Ship by the wind heading to the N.W. land and a sail in Sight

Friday Aug 11th First part fresh breeze from N.W. with fog squalls at 2 P.M wore ship to the westward at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part the Same Ship on opposite tacks Saw the land and asail Lat. 43° 11'S.

Saturday Aug 12th Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with fog Squalls Ship on opposite tacks at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part the same Saw the land Lat. 43° 22'S.

Sunday Aug 13th First part Strong winds from N.W. with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southwest Middle and latter part fresh gale from N.W. at 10 P.M wore ship to the Northward No Obs

Barka Matilda Sears Cruising

Monday August 14th

First part fresh gale from N. W. with squally weather ship heading to the north at 4 P. M. wore ship to the Southward Middle and latter part the Same Ship on opposite tacks at 8 A. M. steered N. E. and made sail at meridian mew Stone bore S W. 20 miles dist

Tuesday Aug 15th

Commences with fresh gale from west ship steering down the land to the Eastward at 2. P. M. came to anchor in Recherche Bay got off one raft of water and stowed it

Wednesday Aug 16th

Fair weather got one raft of water and two loads of wood put William E. Cokery in irons and confinement for disobedients and drunkness

Thursday Aug 17th

fair weather employed in Stowing water and wood and getting off potatoes

Friday Aug 18th

Commences with fair weather and light breeze from N. W. at 11. A. M got underway and steered to Sea

Saturday Aug 19th

Commences with light breeze from north ship by the wind heading to the Eastward Middle part calm latter part wind from west ship steering N. E. at meridian Cape Pillar bore west 20 miles dist

Off the Southwest Cape of Vandiemensland

Sunday Aug 20th 1871

Commences with light breeze from North with fine weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward latter part light gale from N.W. ship heading to the N.N.E.
Lat. 42°10′ S.

Monday Aug 21st

First part fresh gale from N.W. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part a gale from S.W. to N.W. Ship heading to the north
No Obs

Tuesday Aug 22nd

First part a gale from west with variable weather Ship heading to the north latter part Strong winds and rugged
Lat. 41°10′ S.
Long 150°53′ E.

Wednesday Aug 23rd

First part Strong winds from west with clear weather ship heading to the north Middle and latter part the same
Lat. 38°40′ S.
Long 151°27′ E.

Thursday Aug 24th

First Strong breeze from S.W. with clear weather ship steering N.W. by N. latter part wind from north at 4 P.M. wore ship to the west land in sight Latt. 37°00′ S.

Friday Aug 25th

First part Strong wind from north with hazy weather ship heading to the west Middle and latter part variable winds Ship working to the northward Saw three Sails land in Sight

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Saturday Aug 26th
Commences with variable winds with pleasant weather Ship Steering to the northward at Sundown took in sail latter part Moderate breeze from South Ship Steering various courses saw three sails land insight at meridian Mount Dromedary bore west 35 miles dist

Sunday Aug 27th
Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather Middle and latter part light baffling airs land in sight
Lat. 35° 57' S.

Monday Aug 28th
Commences with light breeze from S. W. with hazy weather Ship Steering to the northward at Sundown took in sail latter part fresh breeze from South ship Steering various courses land insight saw a number of vessels

Tuesday Aug 29th
Commences with Moderate breeze and pleasant weather latter part fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to the west land and two sails insight

Wednesday Aug 30th
Commences with Strong breeze from from north with hazy weather and rugged at 2 P. M. wore ship to the East latter part Moderate gale from W. S. W. with clear weather at meridian the died way to a calm land and three sails in sight Pigeon House bearing W. S. W. 35 miles dist

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1871

Thursday Aug 31st

Commences with calm and clear weather at 3 P.M. raised sperm whales going to the north lowered but without success Middle and latter part light breeze from N.W. Pigeon House bearing west

Friday ~~Aug~~ September 1st

Commences with fresh breeze from west with clear weather Ship on different tacks Spoke the Bark Three Brothers Middle and latter part the same land in sight

Saturday Sept 2nd

Commences with variable breezes with pleasant weather Middle and latter part strong breeze from west Ship on different tacks Saw number of sails and the land

Sunday Sept 3rd

Commences with fresh breeze from the S.W. with clear weather Middle and latter part moderate gale with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the S.E. Lat. 36° 18' S.

Monday Sept 4th

Commences with light gale from South with clear weather at 1 P.M. wore ship to the west Middle and latter part fresh breeze Ship steering various courses Saw two sails and the land

Bark. Mattilda Sears

Tuesday September 5th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with fine weather latter part wind from South. Ship on different tacks. Saw two sails and land Jarvis Bay bearing N.W. Spoke the Bark. Asia

Wednesday Sept. 6th

Commences with variable winds with pleasant weather latter part fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather Ship steering various courses saw the land Lat 36° 12' S.

Thursday Sept. 7th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather Middle part latter part light gale from N. Ship hove to on opposite tacks Saw the land and three sails Lat 36° 25' S.

Friday Sept. 8th

Commences with Strong winds from North with hazy weather at 4 P.M. the shifted to the South latter part fine breeze from N.W. Ship by the wind on different tacks Saw the land and number of vessels

Saturday Sept. 9th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather Middle part the wind hauled to the west latter part fresh gale from South Ship hove to heading to the west Saw the land Lat 36° 09' S.

Cruiseing off Jarvis Bay 1871.

Sunday Septr 10th

First part fresh gale from South with clear weather ship hove to heading to the west Middle part the same latter part more moderate Saw the land two sails At Meridian Pigeon House bore west 30 Miles dist

Monday Septr 11th

Commences with Strong winds from South with clear weather and rugged latter part Moderate breeze Ship on different tacks Saw two sails

No Obs

Tuesday Septr 12th

Commences with calm Middle and latter part variable winds Ship on different tacks Saw the land and a number of vessels Sent down the main sail and repaired it

Lat. 35° 50' S.

Wednesday Septr 13th

Commences with variable winds with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same Saw the land and three sails Sent down the fore sail and mend it

Lat. 35° 18' S.

Thursday Septr 14th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather Ship on different tacks Middle and latter part variable winds Saw the land and four sails Pigeon House bearing W.N.W. employed in different jobs about the ship

Barke. Mattilda Seare

Friday Sept 15th Commences with Moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather latter part fresh breeze from South ship Steering various courses Saw the land and number of vessels crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Saturday Sept 16th First part fresh breeze from South with pleasant weather Middle and latter part more moderate Ship by the wind on different tacks Saw the land and number of Sails employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 35°.26'S.

Sunday Sept 17th First part light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather latter part Strong breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather at daylight Steered off to the Southward Saw 1 sail
Lat. 37°.02'S.

Monday Sept 18th First part Strong winds from N.N.E. with cloudy weather at 2 P.M. luffed to the wind heading to the westward Middle and latter part the same at 4 A.M. Steered S.E. Saw sail
Lat. 37°.31'S.
Long 151°.10'E.

Tuesday Sept 19th Commences with Strong winds from N.N.E. with cloudy weather and rugged at 2 P.M. luffed to the East Middle and latter part the same
No Obs

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1871

Wednesday Sept. 20th
First part Strong winds from N.E. with foggy weather Ship by the wind heading to the East, Middle and latter part light gale Ship hove to on the Eastern tack.
Lat. 38°.41 S.
Long 152°.20' E.

Thursday Sept. 21st
Commences with moderate gale from N.E. with cloudy weather Ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part the same
Lat 39°.14' S.
Long 152°.27' E.

Friday Sept. 22nd
Commences with Strong winds from north with hazy weather Ship heading to the East Middle and latter part the same
Lat. 39°: 35' S.
Long 154°.10' E.

Saturday Sept. 23rd
First part moderate gale from north with hazy weather Ship on the Eastern tack at 6. P.M. Wore ship to the west Middle part the wind hauled to the South latter part moderate gale with cloudy weather
Lat. 39°.28' S.
Long 153°.39' E.

Sunday Sept. 24th
Commences with light gale from South with cloudy weather Ship steering to the north at Sundown tacked to the East Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather Ship on different tacks
Lat. 38°.35' S.
Long 154°.28 E.

Bark Matilda Sears.

Monday Sept. 25th
Commences with
moderate breeze from North with pleasant
weather ship E.N. the wind heading to the
west Middle and latter part Strong wind
from S.W. with rugged weather
Lat. 38° 33' S.
Long 151° 35' E.

Tuesday Sept. 26th
Commence with
light gale from S.W. and rugged Ship on
different tacks Middle and latter part
Strong winds from Southward with clear weather
Ship heading to the west Lat 37° 45' S.
Long 153° 51' E.

Wednesday Sept. 27th
Commences with
Strong breeze from S.W. with pleasant
weather at 2 P.M. wore ship to the S.E.
Middle part the wind hauled to the north
latter part Strong winds from North Ship
steering to the S.W. Lat. 38° 01' S.
Long 152° 43' E.

Thursday Sept. 28th
First part light gale
from North with hazy weather at 4 P.M.
shifted to the west at midnight the wind
hauled to the west blowing a fresh gale
ship hove to heading to the South
Lat. 38° 15' S.
Long 152° 16' E.

Friday Sept. 29th
Commences with fresh
gale from westward with Squally weather
and rugged ship hove to heading to the South
Middle and latter part the same
Lat. 38° 12' S.
Long 153° 08' E.

Cruiseing for Right Whale 1871

Saturday Sept 30th

Commences with moderate gale from S.W. with clear weather and heavy sea Ship hove to heading to the Southward Middle and latter part variable winds Saw a sail
Lat. 38°.57'S.
Long 152°.53'E.

Sunday Oct 1st

Commences with moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part light variable airs and calm
Lat. 38°.42'S.
Long 152°.33'E.

Monday Oct 2nd

Commences with light variable breeze with rain squalls Middle part strong winds from South latter moderate gale Ship hove to heading to the East
Lat. 38°.23'S.
Long 152°.56'E

Tuesday Oct 3rd

Commences with fresh gale from South with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the East Middle and latter part the same Lat. 38°.02'S
Long 153°.21'E

Wednesday Oct 4th

Commences with fresh gale from South with squally weather Ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle part the same latter part fresh breeze ship by the wind heading to the Eastsoutheast employed in in breaking out water out of the fore hold and putting it in the tank and got out meat
Lat 37°.18'S.
Long 153°.45'E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Thursday Oct 5th

Commences with baffling breeze from South with cloudy weather ship heading to the E.S.E. Middle part the hauled to the East latter Strong winds from N.E. with cloudy weather ship heading to the S.E.
No Obs

Friday Oct 6th

First part moderate gale from N.E. with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part blowing a Southeast gale No Obs

Saturday Oct 7th

Commences with fresh gale from S.E. with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the S.S.W. latter part the same
Lat. 38° 27' S.
Long 152° 43' E.

Sunday Oct 8th

Commences with fresh gale from S.E. with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part Strong winds from South with Squally weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward
Lat. 38° 04' S.
Long 153° 19' E.

Monday Oct 9th

Commences with Strong breeze from South with fair weather ship heading to the Eastward. Middle and latter part light airs with pleasant weather
Lat. 37° 50' S.
Long 154° 40' E.

Cruiseing for Right Whales 1871

Tuesday Oct 10th

Commences with calm At 1 P.M. took a breeze from N.N.W. steered course S by E latter part the same

No Obs

Wednesday Oct 11th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering South at sundown luffed to the westward Middle and latter part wind the same with hazy weather ship on opposite tacks

Lat. 39° 30' S.
Long 55° 03' E.

Thursday Oct 12th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with hazy weather Ship heading to the Northward Middle and latter part wind from north ship on different tacks

Lat. 39° 12' S.
Long 155° 31' E.

Friday Oct 13th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship steering S by East at 5 P.M. the wind hauled to the southwest blowing a gale with rainy weather took in sail and hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 39° 33' S.
Long 156° 22' E.

Saturday Oct 14th

Commences with light gale from west with clear weather at 1 P.M. wore ship to the north Middle and latter part wind from Northward moderate Ship on different tacks

Lat. 38° 52' S.
Long 156° 30' E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Sunday Oct 15th

Commences with fresh breeze from Northward with hazy weather Ship heading to the west

Middle and latter part wind the same with thick fog Ship on the western tack.

no Obs

Monday Oct 16th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with hazy weather ship on different tacks Spoke the Ship Adeline

Middle and latter part weather the same ship heading to the north.

Lat. 38° 30' S.
Long 155° 20' E.

Tuesday Oct 17th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with hazy weather

Middle and latter part Moderate gale from South with Squally weather ship heading to the west Saw a sail

Lat. 38° 25' S.
Long 155° 10' E.

Wednesday Oct 18th

Commences with Moderate gale from South with Squally weather Ship heading to the west

Middle and latter part strong breeze from S.W. and rugged at 6. A. M. wore Ship to the South Saw a sail

Lat. 38° 09' S.
Long 155° 19' E

Thursday Oct 19th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with clear weather and rugged ship steering to the South

Middle and latter parts a gale from west

Lat. 38° 59' S.
Long 155° 25' E.

Cruiseing for Right Whales 1871

Friday Oct. 20th

Commences with fresh gale from S.W. with clear weather at 1. P.M. wore ship to the N.W. Middle and latter the same at 6. A.M. wore ship to the Eastward

Lat. 38°.28'S.
Long 155°.51'E.

Saturday Oct 21st

Commences with fresh breeze from South with cloudy weather and ragged ship steering different courses latter part calm crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat 38°.05'S.
Long 155°.09'E.

Sunday Oct 22nd

Commences with light breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship heading to the S.W. latter part wind from north with hazy weather ship steering different Courses

Lat 38°.25'S.
Long 153°.31'E.

Monday Oct 23rd

Commences with fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Middle and latter part the same ship on different tacks

Lat 39°.14'S.
Long 152°.29'E.

Tuesday Oct 24th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with hazy weather Middle part moderate latter fresh breezes ship steering W. by S. at 10 A.M. steered W.S.W. crew employed in scrapeing the mast

Lat 39°.31'S.
Long 151°.53'E.

Bark E. Matilda Sears

Wednesday Oct 25th

Commences with strong wind from North with hazy weather ship steering S.W. under all sail Middle and latter part the same at 10 A.M. the wind hauled to the South suddenly blowing fresh with rainy weather took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails ship on the western tack crew employed in washing ship inside. No Obs

Thursday Oct 26th

Commences with strong winds from south with drizzley weather ship by the wind heading to the westward at 1 P.M. made the land bearing west the East coast of vandiemensland the Middle and latter part light airs from westward ship steering to the South Lat. 41° 58' S.

Friday Oct. 27th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering to the Southward at 6 P.M. the wind shifted sudden to the S.W. latter part wind from S.W. ship beating to the Southward at meridian Maria Island bore S.W. 15 miles dist

Saturday Oct 28th

Commences with moderate breeze from Southward with pleasant weather ship heading to the South Middle part baffling winds latter part strong breeze from S.W. ship by the wind heading to the Southward at 8 A.M. passed cape Pillar bearing west 5 miles dist at meridian tacked ship to the N.W.

Laying at Hobart Town 1871

Sunday Oct 29th

Commences with strong winds from S. W. with cloudy weather and rugged ship by the wind heading to the westward at 3. P. M. passed Cape Pillar into Storm Bay at 6. do the wind died away to a calm bent the chains and got the Anchors off the bow Middle and latter part light variable winds ship working up the river to Hobart town at 8. Oclock in the after noon came to anchor off Battery Point took the Pilot off the Iron Pot light and discharged him when we came to anchor

Monday Oct 30th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. W. with clear weather crew employed in washing ship out side and Setting up the fore topmast back stays

Tuesday Oct 31st

Fresh breeze and squally employed in breaking out oil and coopering it to land

Wednesday ~~Octo~~ Nov 1st

Fresh breezes with Squally weather hove up the anchor and hauled the ship to the wharf land nine cask of Oil

Thursday Nov 2nd

Squally weather employed in breaking out oil to ship

Friday Nov 3d

Fine weather employed in breaking out oil to ship sent down the main yard and condemned it on account of it being rotten landed it on the wharf and landed a Spare spar to make anew one

Bark C. Mattitesa Sears

Saturday Nov 4th

Fine weather employed in cleaning out the hold and stowing the ground tier ~~Sent~~ Sent the Cruisers on shore to be discharged 10 in number

Sunday Nov 5th

Cloudy weather

Monday Nov 6th

Fine weather employed in setting up cask for water filled the ground tier and took some wood on board

Tuesday Nov 7th

Blowing fresh from westward employed in stowing off the hold and and stowing wood

Wednesday Nov 8th

Blowing heavy from westward employed in stowing off the hold and taking wood and water on board

Thursday Nov 9th

Fine weather Nothing doing being a holly day
James Mudof. runaway

Laying at Hobart Town –

Friday Nov 10th

Fine weather employed in stowing wood and what cask there was on deck below Mac went to jail for being absent without leave

Saturday Nov 11th

Employ in ship work

Sunday Nov 12th

Cloudy weather

Monday Nov 13th

Fair weather employed in Setting up the main rigging

Tuesday Nov 14th

raining weather to wet to work on the rigging sent up the main yard and took potatoes on board

Wednesday Nov 15th

raining weather employed in setting up the Bob Stays and painted the main yard

Thursday Nov 16th

raining weather employed in setting up the jib and flying guys

Friday Nov 17th

fair weather employed in painting the boats and doing other jobs about the ship

Bark C. Matilda — Sears

Saturday Nov 18th
First part of the day fair weather employed in painting ship out side and cleaning the water ways sent down the fore topsail to repair in the after noon had a heavy shower of rain Thomas Maccla went to jail for being absent without leave

Sunday Nov 19th
Cloudy weather

Monday Nov 20th
Fair weather employed in painting out side and cleaning iron work received on Board a Small quantity of potatoes

Tuesday Nov 21st
Fore part of the day rainy weather latter part fine bent on main sail & also painted out side

Wednesday Nov 22nd
Cloudy weather employed in painting out side and cleaning the iron work

Thursday Nov 23rd
Fore part of the day fair weather employed in painting out side during the night had heavy rain Fredrick Seftele run away

Laying at Hobart Town 1871

Friday Nov 24th
raining weather took
the steam tug and towed out in the
stream and got ready for sea

Saturday Nov 25th
Blowing fresh from
S.W. employed in odd jobs hauled off ship
and getting the crew on board

Sunday Nov 26th
Strong winds from
westward the weather fair Frederick Settle
was caught and brought on board. Thomas
Myfellerbe was brought on board from jail

Monday Nov 27th
Moderate breezes
from westward with pleasant weather at 3
P.M. Sea account got under way and
steered out of the River D Simeoun stowed
the anchors and chosed the watch at do
steered S by E. W. Leslie went off duty
with venerial diseaces

Tuesday Nov 28th
Commences
with fresh breeze from westward
with hazy weather ship steering S.E. by
E. Middle part the same latter part
wind from N.W. at 3 A.M. steered
East at 11 do the wind hauled to the
west crew employed in different jobs
about the ship
T. Gridlin went off duty with the venerial diseaces

Lat 45°41' S.
Long 152°50' E

Bark Matilda Sears

Wednesday Nov 29th
Commences
with fresh breeze from west with hazy
weather ship steering East under all drawing
sail Middle and latter part fresh
gale with changeable weather No Obs

Thursday Nov 30th
Commences
with fresh gale from west with
cloudy weather ship steering course
East under all bearing sail
Middle and latter part the same
No Obs

Friday ~~Nov~~ Dec 1st
Commences with
fresh gale from West with squally weather
at 4 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W.
at 6 do took all sail but close reef main
topsail and hove to heading to the S.E.
latter part more moderate at 7 A.M.
steered East and set the topsails double
reefed
Lat 6° 30' S
Long 163° 20' E

Saturday Dec 2nd
Commences
with light gale from S.W. with fair weather
ship steering E. by N. E. Middle and latter
part fresh breeze from west and rugged
D. Main went off
duty with the venereal
disease
Lat 6° 20' S
Long 166° 27' E

Steering to the Eastward 1871

Sunday Dec 3rd
Commences with fresh
breeze from west with cloudy weather Ship
steering E by S at 3 P.M. luffed to and
took in sail blowing a gale Middle
part wind from N.W. latter part wind
from S.W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind
heading to the Southward at daylight Solander
Island bore East 15 miles dist

Lat 46° 51' S
Long 166° 37' E.

Monday Dec 4th
Commences with strong
breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather [illegible]
[illegible] Middle and latter part moderate
breeze ship by the wind on opposite tacks
at meridian Solander bore E.N.E. 20 miles dist

Tuesday Dec 5th
First part fresh
breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather
N.W. Middle part heavy gale from
N.W. ship hove to heading to the Southward
Middle part the wind hauled to the west
stove the waist boat on the cranes
& turned up Lat 47° 18' S.

Wednesday Dec 6th
Commences with
heavy gale from west with clear weather
Ship hove to heading to the Southward
Middle part the same latter part
fresh gale with squally weather ship
hove to heading to the south
Lat 47° 35' S
Long 167° 19' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Dec 7th

Commences with fresh gale from west with squally weather ship hove to heading to the South
Middle and latter part the same

Friday Dec 8th

Commences with fresh gale from west with thick weather ship hove to heading to the South
Middle part the same latter part wore ship to the N.W. Lat 47°58' S
Long 168°02' E.

Saturday Dec 9th

Commences with strong winds from westward with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all drawing sail South end of Stewart Island in sight
Middle and latter part light breeze bent a new main Spencer at meridian Solander Island bore N.W. by N 8 miles dist. W. Leslie and F. Gidlin went on duty

Sunday Dec 10th

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with drizzle weather at 4 P.M. the wind hauled to the N.W. blowing fresh gale took in sail and hove to heading to the W.S.W. latter part more moderate at 8 A.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. at 10 wore ship to the N.W. at meridian Solander Island bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Cruising off Solander 1871

Monday Dec 11th

Commences with fresh breeze from westward with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward Middle and latter part the same Ship on opposite tacks at meridian Solander Islands bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Tuesday Dec 12th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with hazy weather latter part fresh gale from north with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the west at 9. A. M. took in the main topsails and turned the lee boats up at meridian blowing heavy

no Obs

Wednesday Dec 13th

First and middle part very heavy gale from North with heavy Squalls ship labouring very hard very large sea running ship hove to heading to the west under fore topmast staysail and main Spencer at 3. P. M lost the waist boat off the cranes at 2 A. M lost the larboard boat by shipping a sea lost gang way board bullwarks carryed away one of the braces to the davit lost three boat tackles and falls washed away some copper and sheathing off the ship's bow part of the facing to the main rail carryed away the main spencer stopping lift the sea turned the starboard boat bottom side up lost part of the craft and damaged the boat some and number of other small damages done to the ship at 5 A. M the wind hauled to the west in a squall and moderate some latter part crew employed in clearing away the wreck and repairing damages ship hove to heading to the South Lat 48°.08 S.
Long 166°.20' E.

Barke Anastasia Sears

Thursday Dec 14th
Commences with fresh gale from west with squally weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part fresh gale from west to N.W.
Lat 28°33' S.
Long 167°11' E.

Friday Dec 15th
Commences with fresh gale from west with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part the same Lat 29°13' S.
Long 167°31' E.

Saturday Dec 16th
Commences with fresh gale from west with Squally weather at 4 P.M wore ship to the North and set the main topsail close reefed Middle and latter part more moderate employed in fitting new boats and repairing damages done by the gale
N.B. One Laner went off duty with veanerial desease Lat 28°34' S.

Sunday Dec 17th
Commences with Strong winds from N.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the north at 2 P.M wore ship ship to the South saw a sail Middle and latter part fresh gale from N.W. with hazy weather Ship hove to heading to the S.W. at 8 A.M. took in the main topsail.

Cruising off Solanders 1871

Monday Dec 18th

Commence with fresh gale from N. W. with thick weather, ship hove to heading to the S. W. Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 19° 15' S.
Long 168° 01' E.

Tuesday Dec 19th

Commence with fresh gale from N. W. with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the S. W. Middle and latter part more moderate at 1 A. M. wore ship to the north and set the main topsail and fore sail.

Lat. 19° 01' S.
Long 168° 37' E.

Wednesday Dec 20th

Commence with strong breeze from N. W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the north at 2 P. M. put out a boat to go on the larboard craine, Middle and latter part the same ship on opposite tacks

no Obs

Thursday Dec 21st

Commence with moderate breeze from westward with drizzle weather ship by the wind heading to the N. W. Middle and latter part wind the same with clear weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks at daylight sighted the East side of Erromanga Island at meridian the north Cape bore S. W. 8 miles dist G. Bain went on duty

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday Dec 22nd Commences with strong wind from west with squally weather ship by the wind on opposite tack latter part fresh gale from S. W. with rainy weather took in sail and hove to head to the S. W.

No Obs

Saturday Dec 23rd These 24 hours very heavy gale from N. W. & W. South very heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the Southward at 2 P. M. took in the main topsail ship laboring hard taken large quantitys of water over the lee rail washing away every thing moveable off deck boarded and stove the gang way board and rail large sea running from the west had to keep the pumps going most of the time by large quantity of water going down the hatch ways barometer 28° 8 tenths

Sunday Dec 24th Commences with heavy gale from west with very heavy squalls and very large sea ship hove to heading to the south at 4 P. M. more moderate latter part moderate gale with clear weather at 4 A. M. steered off N. E. by N. and made sail lost the head off the ship during the gale and some sheathing and copper off the starboard side
John McClean went on duty

Lat 37° 45' S.

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Monday Dec 25th

Commences with strong wind from west with clear weather ship steering course N.E. by E. under all drawing sail at 2 P.M. raised a School of small Sperm whales going quick to the S.W. lowered two boats in chase but without success at 6 the wind died away to a calm with heavy swell at 7 P.M. the wind sprung up from the north strong Middle part a gale from north with rainy weather ship hove to heading to the East latter part a gale from west with clear weather at 10 A.M. steered off course N.E. and made sail

Lat. 47°34' S.
Long 172°24' E.

Tuesday Dec 26th

Commences with a gale from S.W. with hazy weather ship steering course north under all drawing sail latter part calm crew employed in getting out provisions and repairing damage done by the rough weather

Lat. 45°33' S.
Long 173°35' E.

Wednesday Dec 27th

at noon took a fresh breeze from north with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the westward Middle part calm latter part wind from South ship steering N. by E. bent a new main gallant saill and rove a new sett of rigging for it and doing other jobs about the ship land in sight

Lat. 44°38' S.

Bark C. Mathilda Sears

Thursday Dec 28th

Commences with light airs from South with fair weather ship steering to the northward latter part wind from S. W. ship steering N. E. by E. employed in repairing the fore gallant sail and mend jib and done other jobs about the ship

Friday Dec 29th

Commences with calm at 2 P. M. got a breeze from the north ship by the wind heading to the East latter part wind from S. W. ship steering to the N. E.

Lat. 43°16' S.
Long 178°35' E.

Saturday Dec 30th

Commences with fresh breeze from South with cloudy weather ship steering course north at 6 P. M. saw black fish lowered and got two latter part fine weather painted the starboard boat and done other jobs about the ship

Lat 41°01' S.
Long 179°20' E.

Sunday Dec 31st

Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering north latter part wind from north ship by the wind heading to the Eastward

Lat 40°01' S.
Long 179°20' E.

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Monday January 1st. Commences with strong breeze from north with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the East. Middle and latter part the same employed in boiling the black fish.
Lat 39°.26' S.
Long 177°.45' East.

Tuesday Jan 2nd. Commences with strong winds from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the N.N.E. Middle and latter more moderate crew employed in painting the the larboard and waist boats sent down the main topsail to repair.
Lat 39°.50' S.
Long 176°.13.ed

Wednesday Jan 3rd. Commences with moderate breeze from N.W with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part wind from north at 4 A.M. wore ship to the west employed in working on the main topsail.
No Obs

Thursday Jan 4th. Commences with light breeze from north with hazy weather at 3 P.M wore ship to the East. Middle and latter part strong breeze with foggy weather ship on opposite tacks.
Lat 39°.31' S.

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Friday Jan 6th

Commences with strong winds from N.W. with thick rain ship by the wind on the Eastern tack. Middle and latter part wind from north

No Obs

Saturday Jan 7th

Commences with strong wind from north with thick rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part variable winds with rain

Lat 37° 27' S.
Long 173° 35 W

Sunday Jan 8th

Commences with variable winds with rain At 8 P.M. the wind hauled to the South with clear weather ship steering N.W. by N. latter part wind from S.E.

Lat. 36° 04' S.
Long 174° 24.

Monday Jan 9th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship steering course N.W. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat 33° 35
Long 176° 30

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Tuesday Jan 9th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering to the N.W. at sundown took in sail and hauled to heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part weather the same at daylight steered N.W. employed in fitting the main topsail Lat. 32° 10' S. Long 177° 30' W

Wednesday Jan 10th

Commences with strong breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering different course at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part the same employed in different jobs about the ship Lat 32° 14' S. Long 178° 48' W

Thursday Jan 11th

Commences with strong winds from East with squally weather ship steering various courses at sundown took in sail middle and latter part the same Lat 32° 09 S.

Friday Jan 12th

Commences with strong winds from S.E. with squally weather ship steering various courses at sundown took in sail middle and latter part weather the same employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 31° 26' S.
Long 179° 59' W

Barke. Matilda Sears

Saturday Jan 13th

Commences with fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather ship steering various courses Middle and latter part more moderate employed in getting out water out of the main hatch and put it in the tank.

Lat. 31.°24' S.
Long 17°.43 W

Sunday Jan 14th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks at sundown took in sail Middle and latter the same

Lat. 31.°21' S.
Long 179°.45 W

Monday Jan 15th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship on opposite tacks Middle and latter part wind and weather the same ship by the wind heading to the south crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 33.°08' S.
Long 179°.48' W

Tuesday Jan 16th

Commences with moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the South Middle and latter part weather the same crew employed in differ jobs about the ship

Lat 34.° 01' S.
Long 179°. 34' E.

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Wednesday Jan 17th

Commences with light breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the South Middle part wind from N.E. latter part calm crew employed in ship duty

Lat 32° 08' S.
Long 179° 01' E.

Thursday Jan 18th

Commences with light airs and calm with pleasant weather ship steering to the northward Middle and latter part light airs from west with fine weather crew employed in getting out provisions and molasses and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat 32° 25' S.
Long 179° 05' W

Friday Jan 19th

Commences with light breeze from west with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. by W. Middle and latter part light airs and calm crew employ in making Spunyarn

Lat 32° 05' S.
Long 178° 25' W

Saturday Jan 20th

Commences with light airs and calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the the same at 9. A. M. raised sperm whales Lowered the boats in chase

No Obs

Barke Matilda Sears

Sunday Jan 21st

Commences with calm boats in chase of the whales at 2 P.M. the Larboat struck at 3 do hooked on to the whales with the boats and commenced to tow ship six miles from the boats at 9 do took the whale along side (middle and latter part cutting the same at 4 P.M. the whale got out of the fluke chain and went adrift lowered a boat and picked him up and took him to the ship sh hooked on and commenced cutting
No Obs

Monday Jan 22nd

Commences with calm employed in cutting at 4 P.M. in hoo in the case middle part employed in clearing up the deck latter part light airs from E. ship heading to the North employed in cutting junk and boiling
Lat 32°16' S
Long 177°36' W

Tuesday Jan 23rd

Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part weather the same employed in boiling
Lat 32°13' S.
Long 177°08' W

Wednesday Jan 24th

Commences with Calm with pleasant weather latter part light breeze from west ship heading to the North at midnight finished boiling Lat. 32°03' S
Long 177°41' W

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Thursday Jan 25th
Commences with light breeze from west with fine weather Ship by the wind heading to the north Middle and latter part light airs and calm Ship on opposite tacks employed in coopering oil.
Lat 31° 26' S.
Long 178° 00' W

Friday Jan 26th
Commences with calm Middle and latter part light breeze from S.W. with hazy weather Ship on opposite tacks crew employed in stowing oil in main hatchway
Lat. 31° 36' S.

Saturday Jan 27th
Commences with moderate breeze from South with hazy weather at Sundown the French Rock bore north 10 miles dist Saw a sail latter part wind from S.E. Ship on opposite tacks
Lat. 31° 43' S.
Long 178° 28' W

Sunday Jan 28th
Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.W. at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze Saw a sail and the rock bearing N. W.
Lat. 32° 01' S.
Long 178° 23' E.

Barke: Matilda Sears

Monday Jan 29th
Commences with fine breeze with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter the same made sail crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 31°58' S.
Long 178°10' W

Tuesday Jan 30th
Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tack at sundown took in sail latter part fresh breeze with squally weather
Lat. 31°52' S.
Long 178°58' W

Wednesday Jan 31st
Commences with fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part the same employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 32°18' S.
Long 178°26' W

Thursday ~~Jan 31st~~ Feb. 1st
Commences with fine breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering various courses at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part the same at 8 A.M. Alfred, Milledge and John Collinge got to fighting in the fore Castle the Capt. called them up and told them to go aloft

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to mast heads they refused to go and told the Capt that they would not go to mast head the Capt told them to go to mast head or else go in irons they said they would go in irons first and the Capt had them put in irons the rest of the crew came aft and said they would work no more ontill the man was let out of irons the Capt had them put in irons and tied up by the hands to the main rigging on there toes ontill they went to duty again they were tied up from the first one ~~to the~~ that was tied in the rigging ontill the last one was taken down thirty five minutes there names are as follows William. Pool. Thomas. Bryan. George. Bain. William Collier. George. Davis. John. Gottippe. Richard Humphries. Edwind Humphrys. William. Glenning. Thomas Mc Clanes. and Fritz Koriels the men had fifteen minutes to think it over whether to go to duty or not before he had them put in irons

Lat. 31°.45' S.
Long 188°.35' E.

Friday Feb. 2nd

Commences with fine breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering various courses at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part light airs
at 8 A.M. the Capt. asked Alfred Milledge and John Collings if they was ready to go to the mast head they said no the Capt had them tied to the rigging about three minutes and they said they was ready to go aloft the Capt had the irons taken off of there hands they were at the mast heads twenty minutes and then went to work

Lat. 31°.58' S.
Long 179°.10' W

Bark Mathilda Sears

Saturday Feb. 3rd

Commences with light breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship steering various courses at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze from N.E. Saw a sail and the Rock crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 31°.. 19' S.
Long 179°.. 10' E.

Sunday Feb. 4th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Saw a ship whaling at sundown took in sail Middle and latter the same at 10. A. M. the Rock bore East 20 Miles dist

Lat. 31.° 42' S.

Monday Feb. 5th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tack. Spoke the ship Niger and got a boat from her latter part the same

Lat. 32°.24' S.
Long 178°.. 00' E

Tuesday Feb 6th

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the East at Sundown took in sail Middle and latter part calm crew employed in making spunyarn

Lat. 32°.42 S.
Long 178°.. 00' E.

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Wednesday Feb 7th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part moderate breeze from N.E. with hazy weather ship heading to the N.W. crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat 31° 53' S.
Long 178° 30' W

Thursday Feb 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with hazy weather ship heading to the N.W. at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw the Rock

Lat. 31° 08' S.
Long 179° 19' W

Friday Feb 9th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather at 1 P.M. wore ship to the S.E. at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part moderate breeze ship on opposite tacks crew employed in get out meat and water

Lat. 31° 08' S.
Long 179° 21' W

Saturday Feb 10th

Commences with light breeze from Eastward with pleasant weather ship heading to the north at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.E. crew employed in different jobs about the ship Paint out the boat

Lat. 31° 29' S.

Barke Matilda Sears

Sunday Feb. 11th
Commences with
fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant
weather Ship on opposite tacks at
sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part moderate breeze
from S.E. saw the Rock. Lat. 31°63' S.
Long 179°00 W

Monday Feb 12th
Commences with
moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant
weather ship by the wind on opposite tack
at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part fresh breeze
crew employed in different jobs about
the ship saw the Rock. Lat. 32°05' S.
Long 178°47' W

Tuesday Feb 13th
Commences with
moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant
weather ship on opposite tacks at sun
down took in sail Middle and latter
the same crew employed in ship
duty saw the Rock at meridian
it bore west 15 miles dist

Wednesday Feb 14th
Commences with
moderate breeze from East with pleasant
weather ship on opposite tacks at sundown
took in sail Middle and latter part
the same at meridian the Rock
bore W.N.W. 20 miles dist crew
employed in different jobs about
the ship Lat. 31°42' S.

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Thursday Feb 15th

Commences with
moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant
weather ship by the wind on opposite
tacks at Sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part the same
crew employed in different jobs about
the ship
Lat 32° 32' S.
Long 179° 05' W

Friday Feb 16th

Commences
with light airs and calm at Sundown
took in sail Latter part light breeze
from the north ship steering to the South
crew employed in different jobs about
the ship
Lat 33° 01' S.
Long 179° 03' W

Saturday Feb 17th

Commences with
moderate breeze from north with pleasant
weather at 2 P.M. luffed to the west
at Sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part fresh breeze from
South with cloudy weather
Lat 32° 51' S.
Long 179° 10' W

Sunday Feb 18th

Commences with
strong breeze from East with cloudy
weather ship steering various courses at
Sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part Strong breeze
from N.E. with dark hazy weather
and rugged ship by the wind on
opposite tacks under Short sail

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Monday Oct 19th

Commences with Strong breeze from N.E. with dark hazy weather Middle and latter part stiff gale from N.E. with rain Squalls Ship hove to on opposite tacks no Obs

Tuesday Oct 20th

Commences with stiff gale from N.E. with rain Squalls Ship hove to heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part wind the same with hazy weather Lat. 32°.52'S
Long 133°.08'W

Wednesday Oct 21st

Commences with strong breeze from the north with hazy weather land sighted at 1 P.M. wore ship to the East Middle and latter part more moderate with fog Squalls Ship on opposite tacks no Obs

Thursday Oct 22nd

Commences with fresh breeze from north with Squally weather Ship by the wind heading to the west Middle and latter part wind more moderate with hazy weather at 7 A.M. wore ship to the East crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 32°.13'S
Long 133°.30'W

Cruising off the French Rocks 1872

Friday Feb 23rd

Commence with Moderat breeze from north with hazy weather ship to the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part the same crew employed in in odd jobs about the ship
Lat 32° 20' S.
Long 178° 06 W

Saturday Feb 24th

Commence with a calm latter part light airs from S.E. ship steering N.W. by W. crew employed in setting up the fore rigging
Lat 32° 03' S.
Long 178° 08' W

Sunday Feb 25th

Commence with light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather latter part the same ship steering various courses Saw the Rock bearing to the westward
Lat 31° 38' S.

Monday Feb 26th

Commence with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Middle and latter the same ship steering various courses at meridian the Rock bore N. 10 miles dist crew employed in got out water out of the fore hold and put it in the tanks and got out provisions

Bark Matilda - Sears

Wednesday March 6th
Commences with
Strong breeze from East with Squally weather
ship heading to the South Saw the Mock
Middle and latter part the wind the
same ship steering various course
At meridian the Mock toe East 15 miles
dist

Thursday March 7th
Commences with
strong breeze from East with cloudy
weather ship steering various courses Spoke
the Bark Sea Breeze latter part light
gale ship hove to heading to the north
Lat 31°20' S.

Friday March 8th
Commences with
light gale from East with cloudy weather
ship hove to heading to the north
Middle and latter part Strong winds and
rugged ship by the wind heading to the north
At 11½ A.M. raised a small school of
Cows and calfs sperm whales going to the
windward lowered in chase
No Obs

Saturday March 9th
Commences with
Strong winds and rugged wind from
East At 3 P.M. the Boats returned to the
ship with out success whales going to the
windward and rugged sea
Middle and latter part the same
Saw a sail
Lat 31°05' S,
Long 179°38' W

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Sunday March 10th

Commences with fresh breeze from East with cloudy weather ship on Oopposite tacks Middle and latter the Same Saw the Rock bearing to the East

Lat 31° 18' S.

Monday March 11th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. E with rugged sea ship on opposite tacks Middle and latter part the same Saw the Rock bearing to the Eastward

Tuesday March 12th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. E. with hazy weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks Middle and latter part the same Saw the Rock bearing to the Eastward

Wednesday March 13th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. E. with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to the northward Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 30° 05' S.
Long 179° 23' E.

Thursday March 14th

Commences with fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather at noon wore ship to the South Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 31° 41' S.
Long 179° 39' E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Friday March 15th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the South at 4 P.M wore ship to the N.E. Middle and latter part strong breezes with squally weather at meridian the Rock bore E.N.E. 10 miles dist

Saturday March 16th

Commences with Strong winds from S.E. with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the N.E. under short sail Middle and latter part light gale with clear weather saw the Curtis Rocks bearing N.E.

Lat. 30°48' S.

Sunday March 17th

Commences with Strong winds from S.E. with clear weather ship steering to the north under short sail at sundown wore ship to the south Curtis Rocks bearing to the Eastward 8 miles dist Middle and latter part the same

Lat 31°01' S.
Long 183°23' W

Monday March 18th

Commences with Strong winds from S.E. with clear weather and rugged sea ship by the wind heading to the south Middle and latter part weather the same ship on opposite tacks saw the Rock bearing to the S.E.

Lat. 31°14' S.

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Tuesday March 19th

Commence with Strong winds from S.E. with clear weather and rugged Middle and latter part weather the same ship by the wind heading to the South at Meridian the Rock bore E. 15 miles dist

Wednesday March 20th

Commence with Strong breeze from East with Squally weather Middle and latter part Moderate breeze with pleasant weather at 6. A.M raised Sperm whales lowered for them got one to the Larboard at 10. do took the whale along side and commenced cutting

No Obs

Thursday March 21st

Commence with Moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather employed in cutting at Sundown finished cutting Middle and latter part wind and weather the same ship by the wind on opposite tacks crew employed in boiling

Lat. 32°45' S.
Long 178°42' W

Friday March 22nd

Commence with moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Latter part Strong winds Ship by the wind heading to the N.E. Crew employed in boiling

Lat. 32°20' S.
Long 178°10' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Saturday March 23rd

Commences with fine breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather at 5 P.M. wore ship to the S.S.W. at 10 do finished boiling latter part weather the same ship steering to the westward crew employed in clearing up the deck and coopering Lat. 32° 32' S. Long 178° 45' W

Sunday March 24th

Commences with strong winds from S.E. with clear weather ship steering to the westward at 4 P.M. luffed to the N.E. latter part weather the same ship steering various courses Lat. 31° 56' S.

Monday March 25th

Commences with strong breeze from Eastward and rugged ship steering different courses saw the Rock bearing [illegible] to the north latter part wind and weather the same employed in stowing down oil in the main hatch and fore hold no Obs

Tuesday March 26th

Commences with strong breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather and rugged ship heading to the south under short sail Middle and latter part weather the same at 4 P.M. wore ship to the N.E. Lat 32° 26' S. Long 179° 28' W

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Wednesday March 27th

Commences with strong winds from S.E. with rugged sea ship heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same ship heading to the N.E. Saw the Rock bearing to the N.W.

Lat. 31° 46' S.

Thursday March 28th

Commences with strong winds from S.E. with squally weather and rugged Sea at 5. P.M. raised sperm whales going to the S.W. ~~Sat~~ lowerd for them the starboard boat struck a whale and the waist boat run into the starboat and stoved it lost the whale with the line the French Rock bearing W.N.W. 10 miles dist Middle and latter part wind the same ship by the wind on opposite tacks at meridian the Rock bore North 15 miles dist employed in repairing the stoven boat

Friday March 29th

Commences with strong winds from E.S.E. with rugged sea ship heading to the South Middle and latter part wind the same ship heading to the N.E. crew employed in setting up the head gear and repairing the boat

Lat. 31° 59' S.

Saturday March 30th

Commences with strong winds from E.S.E. with rugged sea ship by the wind heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part the same employed in setting up the fore topmast back stays and turned up both port back stays at meridian the Rock bore west 15 miles dist

Bark E. Matilda Sears

Sunday March 31st

Commences with Strong winds from S.E. with rugged sea ship by the wind heading to the E.N.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same At 4 P.M. wore ship to the S.W.

Lat. 31° 12' S.
Long 178° 32' W

Monday ~~April~~ 1st April 1st

Commences with strong wind with rugged weather ship heading to the S.W. wind from S.E. Middle and latter wind the same at Meridian French Rock bore east 15 Miles dist ship by the wind on opposite tacks put out the larboard boat on the cranes employed in setting up the the topmast and gallant back stays and the fore and aft stays

Tuesday ~~Apr 2~~ nd April 2nd

Commences with fresh breeze from E.S.E. with fair weather Middle and latter part the same ship by the wind on different tacks at meridian the Curtis Rocks by E.N.E. 10 miles dist crew employed in getting out provisions and doing other jobs about the ship

Wednesday ~~Apr 3~~ rd April 3rd

Commences with fine breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. latter part wind from E.N.E. ship steering S.E. Saw the French Rock bearing to the westward crew employed in odd jobs about the ship

Lat. 31° 41' S.

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Thursday April 4th
Commence with fine weather from N.E. with pleasant weather ship steering S.W. at sundown took in sail and luffed to the N.W. latter part strong winds and rugged at meridian the French Rock bore N.E. 10 miles dist

Friday April 5th
Commence with strong winds from N.E. with hazy weather and rugged ship heading to the N.N.W. at sundown wore ship to the Eastward Middle and latter part wind the same with rainy weather
No Obs

Saturday April 6th
Commence with the wind from N.E. with rainy weather at 2 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.E. at sundown wore ship to the S.S.W. at 10 the French Rock bore E. 10 miles dist
Middle and latter part light variable winds with pleasant weather

Sunday April 7th
Commences with light variable winds with pleasant weather latter part moderate breeze from S.E. with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.S.W. at meridian French Rock bore N.N.E. 10 miles dist

Bark C. Mathilda Sears

Sunday April 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with rain at Sundown wore ship to the N.E. and took in sail. Middle and latter wind the same with Squally weather Lat. 31.° 38'. S.

Monday April 9th

Commences with Strong with winds from South with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the East latter part wind the same ship steering various courses Southe Said the French Rock bearing to the northward Lat 31.° 31' S.

Wednesday April 10th

Commences with Strong winds from S.S.E. with clear weather and rugged ship by the wind on opposite tacks latter part more moderate At Meridian French Rock bore N.W. 10 miles dist crew employed in getting out water out of the fore hold aft and put it in the tank.

Thursday April 11th

Commences with light breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.S.W. Middle and latter part light airs and cloudy weather sent down the main topsail and main topsail yard and fitted the yard and repaired the Sail and sent them up again no Obs.

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Friday April 12th

Commences with light breeze from East with cloudy weather Ship by the wind heading to the Southward latter part wind from Northward ship heading to the East sent down the fore topsail and repaired it and sent up again
Lat 32°.20'S.
Long 178°.50'W

Saturday April 13th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering various courses at sundown lugged to the East latter part strong winds from the north and rugged ship steering west
set up the fore topmast rigging on the starboard side
Lat 33°.03'S.

Sunday April 14th

Commences with strong winds from north ship by the wind heading to the west at 3. P. M. the wind hauled to the N.W. with rain latter part strong winds from S.W. ship steering various courses
Lat. 33°.16'S.
Long 178°.44'W

Monday April 15th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather Middle and latter part calm employed in different jobs about the ship spoke the Bark Addison
Lat. 32°.58'S.
Long 178°.25'E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday April 16th
Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part light air from N. W. ship on different tacks Saw a sail crew employed in setting up the main topmast rigging.
Lat. 32° 58' S.

Wednesday April 17th
Commences with light air from north with pleasant weather latter part strong winds from west with clear weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all bearing sail at 10 A. M raised sperm whales off the weather beam six miles off going to the windward faster then the ship could beat and to rugged to pull to the windward did not lower the boats
Lat. 32° 48' S.

Thursday April 18th
Commences with fresh breeze from west with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks latter part more moderate
Lat. 32° 13' S.

Friday April 19th
Commences with fresh breeze from westward with squally weather ship steering various courses at 1. P. M raised sperm whales Lowered for them ~~to~~ Struck two large whales one to the starboard boat and one to the larboard boat the larboat lost his whale by the whale taking the line at 9. P. M took the starboard boat whale to the ship Middle part heavy tempest ~~at~~ latter part blowing fresh and rugged at daylight commenced cutting

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Saturday April 20th

Commences with fresh breese from west and rugged employed in cutting At 6. P. M finished heaving the head in Middle and latter part more moderate ship heading to the south employed in bailing the case and cutting junk. At 9. A. M started the works said again

Lat. 33°.30' S.
Long 179°.18' W

Sunday April 21st

Commences with light airs from west with pleasant weather latter part light variable winds with rain showers employed in boiling

no Obs

Monday April 22nd

Commences with variable winds with cloudy weather ship by the wind on different tacks latter part calm At noon finished boiling

33°.45' S.

Tuesday April 23rd

Commences with Calm at 3. P. M got a breese from South steered course north under easy sail latter part wind from S. W. ship steering different courses cooper employed in coopering oil to stow

Lat 33°.05' S.
Long 179°.01' W

Bark. Matilda Sears

Wednesday April 24th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship steering N. by N. E. at 3 P.M. hauled to the wind heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in ~~setting up cask~~ stowing down oil in the fore hold

Lat. 32° 36' S

Thursday April 25th

Commences with light breeze from west with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the north latter part fresh breeze with hazy weather ship heading to the south

Lat. 32° 56' S.
Long 179° 00' W

Friday April 26th

Commences with a moderate breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the S.W. latter part wind the same with pleasant weather ship on different tacks No Obs

Saturday April 27th

Commences with light breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same ship by the wind on different tacks sent in the jib and flying jib repaired them and bent them again at sundown took in sail

Lat 33° 01' S.
Long 179° 09' W

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Sunday April 28th Commences with light breeze from north with hazy weather middle and latter part the same ship on different tacks Spoke the Bark Hunter
Lat. 32° 39' S.

Monday April 29th Commences with fresh breeze from north with cloudy weather Ship steering to the S.W. middle part heavy rain ship hove to heading to the N.W. latter part moderate gale with rain and tempest
no Obs

Tuesday April 30th Commences with light gale from north with rain at 2. P.M the wind moderated and cleared away middle part more moderate latter breezed up again with rain weather ship on different tacks
no Obs

Wednesday May 1st Commences with light gale from north with rainy weather latter part the wind died away to a calm with clear weather saw a sail got out the pink cask and blubber tubs and coopered them
Lat. 32° 35' S.
Long. 178° 55' East
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Bark E. Matilda Sears

Thursday May 2nd Commences with light airs from North with clear weather ship heading to the East latter part fresh breeze from N.W. with squally weather ship heading to the N.N.E.
Lat. 32° 33' S.
Long 178° 54' E

Friday May 3rd Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the northward latter part wind from North ship heading to the N.E. employed in getting out water and meat
Lat 31° 50' S.
Long 178° 01' E

Saturday May 4th Commences with fresh breeze from north with passing squally weather at 4 P.M. tacked ship to the westward latter part moderate breeze with pleasant weather employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 32° 47' S.
Long 178° 35 W

Sunday May 5th Commences with moderate breeze from north with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the west Middle and latter part light gale from North ship heading to the west
no Obs

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Monday May 6th
Commences with fresh gale from north with raining weather ship heading to the west latter part wind from west ship heading to the north Saw a sail
Lat 32° 02' S.
Long 179° 30 W

Tuesday May 7th
Commences with fresh breeze from S. W. with squally weather ship steering to the north at sundown took in sail and luffed to the Eastward Middle and latter part wind from S. E. with pleasant weather at daylight steered off to the northwest saw the French Rock bearing to the East and a sail Lat. 31° 21' S.

Wednesday May 8th
Commences with moderate breeze from S. E. with pleasant weather latter part strong winds from East with cloudy weather ship steering various courses Saw a sail no Obs

Thursday May 9th
Commences with strong winds from East with rainy weather ship heading to the south latter part fresh gale with heavy rain ship hove to heading to the south turned up the starboard boat at meridian the wind hauled to the west sudden blowing fresh
Lat. 30° 51' S.
got molasses for the men Long 179° 45' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday May 10th

Commences with fresh gale from west with clear weather at 4 P.M. wore ship to the South
Middle and latter part moderate gale from west Saw a sail
Lat. 31° 24' S.
Long 179° 54' W

Saturday May 11th

Commences with moderate gale from west with Squally weather ship by the wind heading to the South.
Middle and latter part wind from South more moderate ship heading to the Eastward. Saw the French Rock.
Lat. 31° 14' S.
Long 179° 25' W

Sunday May 12th

Commences with Moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather at noon tacked ship to the westward
Middle and latter part under the same ship by the wind on opposite tacks Saw the French Rock bearing S.E.
Lat. 31° 16' S.

Monday May 13th

Commences with light wind from South with pleasant weather
Middle and latter part wind from East ship steering to the southern Saw a sail
Lat 31° 32' S.
Long 179° 44' E.

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Tuesday May 14th
Commences with light breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering S.S.E. Saw a whale 3 o'clap lowerd a boat and went to it Middle and latter part weather the same ship steering various courses
Lat 32°.18' S.
Long 179°.58 W

Wednesday May 15th
Commences with light winds from north with pleasant weather Middle and latter part Strong winds from north ship steering W. by S. at meridian the wind hauled Sudden to the N. W. no Obs

Thursday May 16th Commences with with Strong winds from N. W. with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to the westsouthwest Saw four sails
Middle and latter part light breeze with pleasant weather ship on different tacks
Lat 33°.14' S.
Long 176°.33' East

Friday May 17th
Commences with Calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same Saw three sails Steering various courses at half pass eleven O'clock raised Sperm whale with a ship's boats in chase 5 miles off lowered our boats and give chase to the whales. whales badly galley
no Obs

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Saturday May 18th
Commences with calm boats in chase of the whales at 7 P. M. the boats returned to the ship Amiselle and latter part weather the same saw three sails crew employed in odd jobs about the ship
Lat. 33° 19' S.
Long 176° 23' E.

Sunday May 19th
Commences with calm with pleasant weather latter part light airs from East ship steering west by south saw two sails
Lat. 33° 19' S.
Long 175° 58' E.

Monday May 20th
Commences with light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship steering W. by S. latter part good breeze from N. E. ship steering S. W. by W. at 11 A. M. raised sperm whales going to the N. W.
No Obs

Tuesday May 22d
Commences with fresh breeze from N. E. with hazy weather at 1 P. M. lowered for the whales got one to the larboard boat the waist boat got stoved in getting fast at 4 P. M. got the whale to the ship and commenced cutting at midnight finised cutting the body at daylight took the head in bailed the case and got ready for boiling
Lat 33° 40' S.
Long 174° 24' E.

Cruiseing for Sperm Whale 1877

Wednesday May 23rd

Commences with fresh
breeze from North with pleasant weather Ship
Steering S. by W. employed in cutting up the
junk. Hands boiling at sundown luffed to
westward latter part wind the same with
cloudy weather at daylight steered S.S.W. and
made sail No Obs.

Thursday May 24th

Commences with fresh
breeze from North with drizzle weather ship steering
S.S.W. at 4. P. M the wind hauled to the S. W.
with rain at 10 took in sail heading to the S.S.E.
latter part strong wind from S. W. with pleasant
weather Saw the East coast of New Zealand
crew employed in boiling Lat. 34° 32' S.

Friday May 25th

Commences with strong
winds from S. S. W. with pleasant weather ship
by the wind heading to the west at 4. P. M. finished
boiling Middle and latter part light breeze
crew employed in washing ship in side
at meridian north cape bore S. W. 10 miles dist
at 11 wore ship to the S. E.

Saturday May 26th

Commences with moderate
breeze from S. S. W. with pleasant weather ship by
the wind heading to the S. E. Saw a sail
Middle part variable winds ship laying off
and on latter part took a breeze from W. N. W.
and stood into the land at 10 A. M came to anchor
in Mongonui employed in washing the ship
out side

Barke Mattilda Sear

Sunday May 27th Pleasant weather
nothing doing.

Monday May 28th Pleasant weather employed
in stowing down oil and coopering it

Tuesday May 29th Pleasant weather employed
in stowing oil in the fore hold and getting
water casks ready for water

Wednesday May 30th Cloudy weather employed
in getting water and doing odd jobs in the
holl got a large raft of water and stowed
it

Thursday May 31st Strong breeze from S.E.
with fair weather employed in getting water and
stowing it

Friday June 1st Pleasant weather employed
in getting water and stowing the after hatch and
also the fore hold

Saturday June 2nd Pleasant weather
~~nothing doing~~ employed in getting wood and
and number of other things from shore
got off the spars we had landed
discharged Malville St. Clair Cruser

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Sunday June 2nd Pleasant weather nothing doing

Monday June 3rd Pleasant weather employed in getting potatoes off to the ship and took off ~~a ct~~ a cask of flour that we had stored

Tuesday June 4th Pleasant weather sent one wach ashore on liberty the other wach employed in cleaning iron work and painting it

Wednesday June 5th Pleasant weather sent one wach ashore on ~~l~~ liberty the other wach employed in odd jobs about the ship

Thursday June 6th Cloudy weather sent one wach onshore on liberty the other wach employed in cleaning iron work.

Friday June 7th raining weather nothing doing

Saturday June 8th Showery weather one on liberty

Bark Matilda Sears

Sunday June 9th Pleasant weather nothing doing

Monday June 10th Fresh gale from west with squally weather employed in taking small stores on board and took twelve tierces of meat on board and got the ship ready for sea

Tuesday June 11th Fresh gale from west with squally weather nothing doing ship ready for sea wind bound George Bain and John Collins deserted

Wednesday June 12th Fresh gale from west with squally weather nothing doing ship wind bound

Thursday June 13th Commences with light airs from S. W. with fair weather at daylight got underway and towed out of the Harbor at 9 A. M the capt came on board and steered to sea stowed the anchors and chains latter part of the day strong winds from S. W. with squally weather took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails ship steering to the N. W. caught the two deserters and brought them on board

Friday June 14th Sea account Commences with strong winds from westward with squally weather ship steering to the northward Middle and latter part moderate gale with fresh squalls ship hove to heading to the north Lat. 34° 18' S.

Cruising for Sperm Whale 1872

Saturday June 15th

Commences with strong breeze from west with clear weather ship heading to the north under easy sail.
Middle and latter part light gale from S. W. at 8 A. M. steered N. E.

Lat. 33° 21' S.
Long 175° 06' E.

Sunday June 16th

Commences with light gale from S. W. with squally weather ship steering N. E. middle and latter more moderate ship heading to the N. W.

Lat. 32° 24' S.
Long 174° 45' E.

Monday June 17th

Commences with light breeze from west with pleasant weather ship heading to the north Middle and latter part wind from the north with clear weather ship heading to the westward took in the waist boat to mend

Lat. 31° 52' S.

Tuesday June 18th

Commences with fresh breeze from north with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the westward
at midnight the wind hauled to the west at daylight wore ship to the north latter part wind from the west strong and rugged with squally weather Capt employed in mending the waist boat

Lat. 31° 10' S
Long 173° 25' E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Wednesday June 19th

Commences with light gale from S.W. with Squally weather Ship Steering N.N.W. Middle and latter part wind the same at midnight shifted to the westward at daylight steered off N. by W. Lat. 29° 10' S. Long 173° 32' E.

Thursday June 20th

Commences with light gale from S.W. with clear weather Ship Steering N. by W. latter part moderate breeze Ship steering N.W. Capt. employed in mending the waist boat Lat. 26° 56' S.

Friday June 21st

Commences with fine breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering W. by N. Middle part calm latter part light breeze from East ship steering N.W. finished mending the waist boat and put her out on the cranes again Lat. 26° 26' S. Long 172° 31' E.

Saturday June 22nd

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship steering N.W. Middle part wind from north ship by the wind heading to the westward latter part the wind hauled to the west with rain no Obs

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Sunday June 23rd

Commences with moderate breeze from west with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the north Middle and latter part wind from W.S.W. ship heading N.W. Lat. 24° 23' S.
Long 170° 20' E.

Monday June 24th

Commences with good breeze from W.S.W. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N.W. under all sails middle part fresh breeze from west at 11 P.M. tacked ship to the South latter part light gale with squally weather took in all sail & double reef main topsail Lat 24° 14' S.

Tuesday June 25th

Commences with light gale from west with squally weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part strong winds with clear weather at 5 A.M wore ship to the northward Lat. 24° 04' S.
Long 169° 35' E.

Wednesday June 26th

Commences with strong winds from westward ship by the wind heading to the north at 6 P.M. tacked ship to the South
Middle and latter wind the same with rugged sea Lat. 24° 14' S.

Barke Mathilda Sears

Thursday June 27th

Commences with strong winds from westward with rugged sea ship by the wind heading to the South middle and latter part the same at 9. A. M. wore ship to the north

Lat. 24°.58' S.
Long 169°.50' E.

Friday June 28th

Commences with light gale from west with squally weather at 6. P. M wore ship to the south close reefed the main topsail and took up the lee boats Middle and latter part weather the same

Lat. 25°.14' S.

Saturday June 29th

Commences with light gale from S westward with clear weather and rugged sea ship hove to heading to the south. Middle and latter part fresh gale with squally weather turned up the lee boats

Lat. 25°.46' S.

Sunday June 30th

Commences with fresh gale from west with squally weather and heavy sea middle part the same latter part more moderate wind from Southwest at 8. A. M wore ship to the N. W.

Lat. 25°.51' S.
Long 171°.08' E.

Cruiseing for Sperm Whale 1882

Monday July 1st

Commences with fresh breeze from S. W. with clear weather and heavy swell ship by the wind heading to the N. W. latter part wind from W. N. W. ship by the wind heading to the S. W.

Lat. 26° 09' S.
Long 170° 44' E.

Tuesday July 2nd

Commences with strong winds from W. N. W. with hazy weather and rugged ship by the wind heading to the S. W. Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 27° 16' S.
Long 169° 23' E.

Wednesday July 3rd

Commences with strong winds from W. N. W. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the S. W.
Middle and latter part wind the same with squally weather

Lat 27° 55' S.
Long 168° 31' E.

Thursday July 4th

Commences with strong winds from W. N. W. with squally weather and rugged sea ship by the wind heading to the S. W. under all bearing sail latter part more moderate wind from S. W. with clear weather ship heading to the N. W. under all sail

Lat. 28° 25' S.
Long 168° 01' E.

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday July 5th
Commence with
moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather
ship by the wind heading to the W.N.W.
Middle and latter part light breeze from South
ship heading to the west Saw a sail
Lat 28°:10' S.
Long 166°:44' E.

Saturday July 6th
Commence with light
breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship heading
to the W.N.W. under all sail
latter part strong breeze from South with
squally weather ship heading W.S.W.
Lat. 27°:33' S.
Long 164°:23' E.

Sunday July 7th
Commence with
strong winds from S.E. with cloudy weather
ship steering S.W. by S. under all drawing sail
Middle and latter part the same
Lat 28°:36' S.
Long 162°:22' E.

Monday July 8th
Commence with
strong winds from S.E. with cloudy weather
ship steering S.W. by S. under all drawing
sail Middle and latter part more moderate
Saw a sail steering to the Southwest
Lat 30°:10' S.
Long 160°:13' E.

Cruiseing for Sperm Whale 1872

Tuesday July 9th

Commences with fine breeze from S. E. with pleasant weather ship steering course S. W. by S. under all sail. Middle and latter part the same at daylight sighted Lord Howe Island bearing S. S. E. 15 miles and saw two sails

Wednesday July 10th

Commences with light airs from East with pleasant weather ship steering S. W. under all sail Middle part calm Latter part fresh breeze from N. W. course S. W.

Lat. 32° 14' S.
Long 158° 00' E.

Thursday July 11th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. W. with clear weather ship steering S. W. by W. under all bearing sail Middle part the wind hauled to the west with squalls and a tempest took in all sail and hove to heading to the south latter part moderate gale from west with clear weather

Lat. 32° 28' S.
Long 156° 20' E.

Friday July 12th

Commences with moderate gale from west with clear weather ship hove to heading to the south. Middle and latter part wind the same with squally weather saw two sails

Lat. 32° 54' S.

Barke Matilda Sears

Saturday July 13th
Commences with strong winds from west with squally weather ship heading to the south under all drawing sail Middle part more moderate latter part light airs with cloudy weather saw a sail
Lat. 33°21'S.
Long 156°30'E.

Sunday July 14th
Commences with moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the south at sundown strong breeze from N.W. ship steering S.W. by W. at 8. double reefed the topsails Middle and latter part light gale from west with raining weather ship heading to the south
No Obs

Monday July 15th
Commences with light gale from S.W. with raining weather ship by the wind heading to the southward latter part fresh gale from S.W. ship hove to heading to the south
No Obs

Tuesday July 16th
Commences with fresh gale from S.W. with heavy squalls ship hove to heading to the southward took the craft out of the lee boats and turned them up Middle and latter part the same at.
Lat. 34°52'S.
boarded a sea over the bow and split the fore topmast staysail

Wednesday July 17th
Commences with fresh gale from South with squally weather ship hove to heading to the South Middle and latter part the same laid asail. At 7. A. M. wore ship to the west
Lat 34°: 03' S.
Long 157°: 39' E.

Thursday July 18th
Commences with fresh gale from South with squally weather ship hove to heading to the west Middle part more moderate latter part strong winds from S. W. with squalls ship heading to the W. N. W.
Lat 32°: 52' S.
Long 156°: 25' E.

Friday July 19th
Commences with strong winds from S. W. with squally weather ship heading to the westnorthwest latter part wind from N. N. W. with clear weather ship steering S. W. by W. repaired the foretopmast staysail and bent it
Lat 32°: 36' S.
Long 155°: 26' E.

Saturday July 20th
Commences with variable winds with rain squalls Middle and latter part fresh breeze from N. N. W. with hazy weather ship steering S. W. by W. At meridian the wind hauled to the west with a tempest
Lat 33°: 32' S.
Long 153°: 46' E.

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Sunday July 21st Commences with variable south winds with clear weather weather ship steering S.W. Middle and latter part wind from westward ship heading to the South weather raining

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Monday July 22nd Commences with strong winds from N.W. with cloudy weather ship heading to the S.W. Middle part a gale from west latter part wind from South
Lat 34° 48' S.
Long 152° 10' E.

Tuesday July 23rd Commences with a gale from South with squally weather ship on the western tack under storm sails
Middle and latter part the same saw a sail at daylight we made the land East coast of Australlia
Lat 34° 32' S.

Wednesday July 24th Commences with strong winds from South with clear weather at 1. P.M. wore ship to the S.E. and set the topsails double reefed Middle and latter part wind from West saw a sail sent down the foresail to repair at meridian Jarvis bay bore S.W. 30 miles dist

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1872

Thursday July 25th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering to the south saw black fish lowered and got two one to the larboard and one to the starboard boats latter part moderate gale from west ship heading to the south mended the fore sail and bent it saw a number of vessels at meridian Jarvis Bay bore west 10 miles dist

Friday July 26th

Commences with moderate gale from W. N. W. with hazy weather ship heading to the south latter part more moderate ship heading to the southwest employed in boiling the black fish passed the ship Winchester of London

Saturday July 27th

Commences with strong winds from W. N. W. with clear weather ship heading to the southwest middle and latter part the same at 9. A. M. wore ship to the north saw one sail at meridian Dromedary Mountain bore W. S. W. 30 miles dist

Sunday July 28th

Commences with strong breeze from west with clear weather ship by the wind heading to the north middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 11. A. M. wore ship to the southward at meridian Jarvis Bay bore west 15 miles dist

Bark Matilda , Tear

Monday July 29th

Commence with Strong winds from S.W. with clear weather Ship by the wind heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same Ship on opposite tacks took the celling out of the Starboard boat and washed her out to paint at meridian Jarvis Bay bore west 15 miles dist

Tuesday July 30th

Commence with moderate breeze from west with clear weather Ship heading to the Southward Middle and latter part wind from S.W. Ship on opposite tacks at Meridian Jarvis Bay bore S.W. 20 miles dist

Wednesday July 31st

Commence with fresh breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather Middle and latter part wind the same Ship by the wind on opposite tacks repaired the fore staysail and bent it at meridian Jarvis Bay bore S.W. 25 miles dist

Thursday August 1st

Commence with fresh breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather Middle and latter part light variable winds with pleasant weather Ship on opposite tacks crew employed ~~on opposite tacks~~ in repairing the fore gallant sail at meridian Jarvis Bay bore west 25 miles dist Saw two Sails

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1872

Friday Aug 2nd

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather latter part strong winds from S.W. ship by the wind on opposite tacks saw three sails at meridian. Pigeon House bore west 25 miles dist

Saturday Aug 3rd

Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with clear weather latter part wind from north with hazy weather ship steering to the South at meridian Dromedary Mountain bore west 20 miles dist broke out water out of the fore hold and filled the tank.

Sunday Aug 4th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather at 4 P.M. luffed to the wind heading off shore latter part moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship heading to the N.E. saw the land

Monday Aug 5

Commences with light breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather at sundown wore ship to the westward latter wind from South with rain squalls ship heading to the westward at meridian Dromedary Mountain bore W.S.W. 25 miles dist

Barke. Mathilda Sears

Tuesday Aug 6th

Commence with fresh breeze from South with squally weather latter part strong breeze from N. W. ship heading to the N. E. Saw two sails at meridian Pigeon house bore west 25 miles dist

Wednesday Aug 7th

Commence with moderate gale from N. W. with clear weather Ship heading to the N. E. latter part baffling winds ship heading to the north Saw the land

Thursday Aug 8th

Commence with fresh breeze from west with clear weather middle and latter part wind from S. W ship heading to the N. W. Spoke the Barke. Aladden

Friday Aug 9th

Commence with moderate breeze from S. W. with clear weather ship heading to the N. W. latter part the weather the same ship on opposite tack Saw three sails at meridian Pigeon house bore west 30 miles dist

Saturday Aug 10th

Commence with fresh breeze from South with cloudy weather at sun down took in sail and wore ship to the East middle and latter part light gale ship on opposite tacke saw four sails at meridian Jarvis bay bore west 11 miles dist

Cruiseing off Jarvis Bay 1872

Sunday Aug 11th

Commences with fresh gale from South with squally weather ship hove to heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 7. A.M wore ship to the west Saw a sail

Monday Aug 12th

Commences with fresh gale from South with heavy squalls Ship hove to heading to the west Middle and latter part the same at 11 A. M wore ship to the S.E. land bearing East 5 miles dist Saw two sails

Tuesday Aug 13th

Commences with light gale from South with clear weather ship heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part fine weather ship on opposite tacks Saw number of sails at meridian Jarvis bay bore S.W. 30 miles dist

Wednesday Aug 14th

Commences with moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather ship on opposite tacks at sundown took in sail Middle and latter part light airs from west Saw six sails lowered a boat and board the Bark Mary Francis of Malbourne from New Castle for Malbourne at meridian Jarvis bay bore west 15 miles dist

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Aug 15th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather ship steering various courses at Sundown took in sail latter part wind the same ship steering to the southward saw a number of vessels at meridian Pigeon house bore W.N.W 25 miles dist

Friday Aug 16th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather at Sundown took in sail and luffed to the wind latter part light baffling airs saw three vessels at meridian Cape Dromedary bore west 20 miles dist

Saturday Aug 17th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.E. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part light variable breezes ship by the wind on opposite tacks saw three sails lowered a boat and boarded a sloop from Melbourne bound to Sydney at meridian Cape Dromedary bore N.W. 30 miles dist

Sunday Aug 18th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Middle same, latter part light airs from N.E. ship on opposite tacks land and two sails in sight Spoke the Bark Renegade

Cruising off Jarvis Bay 1872

Monday Aug 19th
Commence with light airs from N. E. with pleasant weather Latter part strong winds from South with rainy weather at 4 P. M. Steerd off to the north with the land in sight saw a number of vessels

Tuesday Aug 20th
Commence with strong breeze from South with cloudy weather at sundown kept to the wind heading to the East
Middle and latter part light gale with clear weather at 10. A. M. steered off to the north at meridian Cape Dromedary bore west 15 miles dist saw a sail

Wednesday Aug 21st
Commence with light gale from South with clear weather at 2. P. M. Tacked to heading to the west Middle and latter part wind and weather the same ship on opposite tacks saw one sail at meridian Pigeon house bore west 15 miles dist

Thursday Aug 22nd
Commences with fresh gale from South with Squally weather ship hove to heading to the Eastward turned up the lee boats Middle and latter part the same
No Obs.

Barke Matilda Sears

Friday Aug 23rd

Commences with a fresh gale from South with Squally weather Ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle part the Same latter part more moderate. No Obs

Saturday Aug 24th

Commences with moderate gale from S.W. with cloudy weather At 1. P.M. wore Ship to the westward Middle and latter part fresh gale with Squally weather at 2. A.M. wore Ship to the S.E. at 7. do wore back to the westward

Lat 34° 30′ S.

Sunday Aug 25th

Commences with Moderate gale from S.E. with clear weather ship heading to the westward latter part calm

Lat 34° 59′ S.
Long 152° 12′ E.

Monday Aug 26th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with pleasant weather ship steering to the westward At sundown took in sail blowing a gale from north Middle and latter part a gale from north with hazy weather at 10. A.M. made the land at meridian Jarvis Bay bore west 20 miles dist saw a sail

Off Jarvis Bay 1872

Thuesday Aug 27th

Commence with fresh gale from N. W. with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the S. W. latter part wind hauled to the South moderate ship heading to the west at meridian Pigeon house bore west 15 miles dist got water Said again

Wednesday Aug 28th

Commence with strong breezes from South with cloudy weather at Sundown wore ship to the Eastward Middle and latter part strong winds and squally ship on different tacks saw four sails at meridian Pigeon house bore west 10 miles dist

Thursday Aug 29th

Commence with strong breezes with cloudy weather ship steering to the north at sundown hauled to the wind Middle and latter part light breeze from South ship on opposite tacks saw number of vessels spoke the Bark Runameade at meridian Jarvis Bay bore S. W. 10 miles dist

Friday Aug 30th

Commence with light breeze from S. E. with pleasant weather Middle and latter part wind from North with squally weather ship steering to the South saw three Sails. Spoke the Bark Aladdin at meridian Dromadary Montain bore S. W. 20 miles dist

Barke Matilda Sears

Saturday Aug 31st

Commences with Strong winds from north with cloudy weather ship steering S. by W. latter part light winds from N.W. ship steering S.S.W. Said the hand crew employed in Scraping the masts
Lat. 38° 40' S.

Sunday ~~Aug~~ Sept 1st

Commences with light breeze from S.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E.
Middle and latter part moderate gale from S.W. Ship heading to the South under double reef topsails
Lat. 40° 21' S.
Long 149° 38' E.

Monday Sept 2nd

Commences with Moderate gale from west with hazy weather ship heading to the South at sundown took in all sail but close reef main topsail
Middle and latter part fresh gale turned up the lee boats
Lat 41° 20' S.
Long 149° 50' E.

Tuesday Sept 3rd

Commences with fresh gale from west with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the Southward
Middle and latter part Moderate gale from W.N.W. Ship heading to the S.W. under all bearing sail at meridian made Maria Island bearing W.S.W. 35 miles dist

Steering to the Southward 1872

Wednesday Sept. 4th

Commences with moderate gale from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part more moderate at daylight Cape Piller bore north 10 miles dist ship beating into Storm Bay at noon South head of adwencher Bay bore South 2 miles dist

Thursday Sept. 5th

Commences with light winds from N. W. with pleasant weather ship beating into Storm Bay Middle and latter part strong winds and squally at 9. P.M came to anchor in side of the Iron Pt light house at 8. A. M got under way and commenced to work up the River

Friday Sept. 6th

Commences with strong winds from westward with squally weather ship beating up the River at 6. P.M came to anchor off the Battery Point latter part strong winds from S. W. with squalls

Saturday Sept. 7th

Blowing a gale from west with squalls crew employed in washing the ship out side

Barke Matilda Sears

Sunday Sept. 8th Fine weather nothing doing

Monday Sept. 9th Fine weather got underway and went to the wharf crew employed in different jobs about the ship held a Surfey on the ship to examined damages done at sea

Tuesday Sept. 10th Fair weather crew employed in breaking out the fore hold to lighting the ship to go on the Slip to repair her G. Barnes went on shore to see the doctor sick carpenters employed repairing damages

Wednesday Sept 11th Rainy weather wind from S. W. employed in breaking out the between decks to get at the bolts to the foremast back stays chains to take them out to fit the channel took down the tank found it rotten not fit to hold water carpenters employed in repairing damages John Gebleff was sent to jaill for stealing food from the ship

Laying At Hobart Town 1872

Thursday Sept 12th Raining weather crew employed in breaking out the Oil out of the main hold to measure the ship in side for the chocks to go on the Slip carpenters employed in repairing damages

Friday Sept 13th Fine weather crew employed in stowing down the Oil in the main hold carpenters employed in repairing damages

Saturday Sept 14th Fine weather crew employed in stowing Oil down the main hold and getting more out of the fore hold carpenters employed in repairing damages

Sunday Sept 15th Fine weather nothing doing

Monday Sept 16th Fine weather crew employed in breaking out Oil out of the fore hold At hand carpenters employed in repairing damages

Bark C. Anatolia Sears

Tuesday Sept. 17th Fine weather crew employ in cleaning iron work and painting it mended the flying jib done number of other jobs about ship Ship Carpenters employed repairing damages

Wednesday Sept 18th Fine weather at 6. A. M. got under way from the wharf and made sail for the Ship at 10 do got to the Ship at noon got on the Ship and the carpenters went to work on the Sheathing where it was worm eating held a Survey on the Ship

Thursday Sept 19th Fine weather carpenters employed in repairing the sheathing on the starboard side of the Ship Side

Friday Sept 20th Fine weathe at 10 A.M launched the Ship off the ship and worked to the wharf under sail at 11. do came to to the wharf and moored to the wharf latter part of the day employed in paint iron work and the lighter and setting up cask for water

Laying At Hobart Town 1872

Saturday Sept 21st Fine weather crew employed in painting the iron work out side and setting up cask for water received on board 20 tierces of beef and done other small jobs about the ship

Sunday Sept 22nd Showery weather

Monday Sept 23rd Fine weather crew employed in Stowing the after hold and Stowing water between decks

Tuesday, Sept 24th Fine weather crew employed in stowing off the fore hold and running water with the Casks received on board anew topsail

Wednesday Sept 25th Fine weather crew employed in painting out side and the cooper setting up cask for water

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Sept 26th Showery weather
crew employed in stowing the fore
hold and receiving stores and water
Cooper employed setting up cask

Friday Sept 27th Fine weather
employed in paint ship out side
sent the cruisers ashore and discharged them
sixteen in number

Saturday Sept 28th Fine weather
crew employed in painting out side
Francis Oshea deserted

Sunday Sept 29th heavy rain all
day

Monday Sept 30th Fine weather
employed in stowing wood

Laying at Hobart Town 1872

Tuesday Oct 1st
Rain Storm not able to work

Wednesday Oct 2nd
Showery weather took potatoes on board and other stores hauled the ship out in the stream

Thursday Oct 3rd
Rainy weather waiting for the crew to came on board

Friday Oct 4th
Fine weather employed in getting the crew on board

Saturday Oct 5th
Fine weather with light breeze from S.E. At 11. A.M. got under away and commenced to beat out of the river At 7. P.M. came to anchor down the river

Bark Matilda Sears

Sunday Oct 6th
Sea Account Commences with light breeze from N.W. at 5 A.M. got under way and stood to sea at 8 do passed the iron Pot light Meridian Cape Pillar bore North 10 Miles dist Stowed the Anchors and chose wachs
Thomas Mcellien and William Leeslie went off duty with the venereal disease

Monday Oct. 7th
Commences with Strong winds from N. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the East took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails At Sundown blowing a gale took in sail and hove to latter part the same broke out water Lat. 44° 02' S.

Tuesday Oct 8th
Commences with light gale from north with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the Eastward Middle part calm with rain latter the same

Wednesday Oct 9th
Commences with light breeze from S.E. with rainy weather ship steering course N.N.E. at Sundown strong breeze from E.S.E. took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails
latter part calm with thick fog with heavy swell

Cruissing for Whale 1889

Thursday Oct 10th

Commence with light breeze from S.W. with thick fog and heavy swell running from Southward Ship steering N.E. by N. Middle part calm latter part light airs from North with cloudy weather

Lat. 42° 08' S.
Long 150° 33' E.

Friday Oct. 11th

Commence with light breeze from North with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze weather the same Lat. 42° 03' S.
George Davis went off duty with Long 153° 38' E.
the venerial descease

Saturday Oct 12th

Commence with fresh breeze from N. with foggy weather ship by the wind heading to the East at Sundown tacked ship to the N.W. Middle part the same latter part more moderate ship on Opposite tacked No Obs

Sunday Oct 13th

Commences with light breeze from North with thick fog ship by the wind heading to the East latter part wind the same with clear weather at 11 A.M. wore ship to the west
Thomas McCellen went Lat. 41° 58' S.
to duty again Long 153° 40' E.

Barke Matilda Sears

Monday Oct 14th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the west latter part the wind hauled to the west and cleared away at 8 A.M. wore ship to the Northward broke out water and meat Fredrick Fritze went off duty with the venerial desease George Davis went to duty again

Lat 41°42' S.
Long 152°56' E.

Tuesday Oct 15th

Commences with strong winds from N.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the Northward Middle and latter part the same

Lat 40°18' S.
Long 154°00' E.

Wednesday Oct 16th

Commences with strong breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the Northward Middle and latter part wind from west employed in making jib pendants

Lat 39°18' S.
Long 153°31' E.

Thursday Oct 17th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship heading to the N.W. Middle and latter part the same employed in making new flying jib pendants Fredrick Fritze went on duty again

Lat 38°04' S.
Long 153°10' E.

Cruising for Whales 1872

Friday Oct 18th

Commences with moderate breeze from S. W. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. W. latter part wind from west Ship on opposite tacks saw a sail

Lat. 37° 49' S.
Long 152° 40' E.

Saturday Oct 19th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same Ship on opposite tacks

Lat 38° 04' S.
Long 152° 18' E.

Monday Oct 20th

Commences with moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship by the wind on opposite tacks latter wind from S. E.

Lat. 37° 33' S.
Long 153° 33' E.

Monday Oct 22nd

Commences with light breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the S. E. latter part wind from north Ship steering to various courses broke out water Thomas Ryan went off duty with the venerial deceases

Lat. 38° 00' S.
Long 155° 05' E.

Barke Mathilda Sears

Tuesday Oct 22nd

Commences with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather ship steering to the Southward latter part moderate gale from North ship hove to heading to the north Lat. 39° 13' S.

Wednesday Oct 23rd

Commences with moderate gale from N. W. with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the S. W. Middle and latter part wind from S. W. at 11 A. M. wore ship to the N. W.

Lat. 39° 22' S.
Long 154° 08' E.

Thursday Oct 24th

Commences with strong winds from S. W. with clear weather and large sea ship by the wind heading to the N. W. Middle part calm latter part strong winds from North with cloudy weather ship heading to the westward.

Lat. 39° 01' S.
Long 153° 00' E.

Friday Oct 25th

Commences with light gale from North at 2 P. M. the wind changed sudden to the west headed the ship to the northward
Middle and latter part a gale from S. W. with squally weather ship heading to the N. W. Thomas Ryan went to duty

Lat. 38° 00' S.
Long 153° 24 E.

Cruiseing for Right Whales 1882

Saturday Oct 26th

Commence with light gale from S. W. with squally weather Ship try the wind heading to the N. W. Middle part the same Latter moderate breeze with pleasant weather ship steering to the northward

Lat 36° 59' S.
Long 152° 20' E.

Sunday Oct 27th

Commence with light breeze from S. W. with pleasant weather ship steering to the westward latter part wind from north ship steering to the south

Lat 37° 21' S.
Long 152° 18' E.

Monday Oct 28th

Commence with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather ship steering to the South Middle and latter part the same ship steering various courses broke out the water and the Slops Saw a sail

Lat 38° 18' S.
Long 151° 30' E.

Tuesday Oct 29th

Commence with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather Middle and latter part wind from N. W. Steered off to the Eastward Sent down the main topsail and repaired it and bent it again Saw two sails

Lat 38° 31' S.
Long 153° 13' E.

Barke. Matilda ; Sears

Wednesday Oct 30th

Commences with strong breeze from west with clear weather ship steering to the East at 5 P.M. took in sail and luffed to the wind at 6 do wore ship to the south blowing a gale Middle and latter part wind from South ship heading to the East
Lat 38° 09' S.

Thursday Oct 31st

Commences with moderate gale from South with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the East Middle and latter part more moderate ship by the wind heading to the East crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat 38° 08' S.
Thomas Ryan went off duty with the veneral disease
Long 155° 38' E.

Friday Nov 1st

Commences with moderate breeze from South with fog squalls ship by the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part the same Mended the main sail and Gaff topsail
No Obs

Saturday Nov 2nd

Commences with light breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather at 5. P.M tacked ship to the S.W. Middle and latter part light airs and calms crew employed in fitting foot ropes and blocks straps
Lat 38° 02' S.
Long 156° 32' E.

Cruising for Whales 1872

Sunday Nov 3rd
Commences with
light breeze from East with pleasant
weather ship steering to the Southward
latter part the same
Lat 39° 26' S.
Long 155° 47' E.

Monday Nov 4th
Commences with
light breeze from East with pleasant
weather ship steering to the South
Middle and latter part fresh breeze from N.E.
ship heading to the west broke out water and
meat
Lat. 39° 35' S.
Long 155° 4' E.

Tuesday Nov 5th
Commences with
fresh breeze from N.E. with pleasant
weather ship heading to the S.E.
Middle and latter part the same crew employed
in fitting blocks and making jibs foot ropes
Lat. 40° 51' S.
Long 156° 00' E.

Wednesday Nov 6th
Commences with
moderate breeze from N.E. with pleasant
weather ship by the wind heading to the
S.E. Middle and latter part wind
the same crew employed in in different
jobs about the ship
broke out molasses
Lat. 41° 37' S.
Long 157° 37' E.

Bark. Mathilda Sears

Thursday Nov 7th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in fitting blocks and doing other jobs aloft

Lat 42° 50' S.
Long 159° 16' E.

Friday Nov 8th

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering E by S. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs aloft

Lat. 44° 06
Long 162° 44' E.

Saturday Nov 9th

Commences with moderate breeze from N. W. with hazy weather ship steering E. by S. Middle and latter part fresh breeze ship steering E. S. E.

Lat. 45° 28' S.
Long 165° 33' E.

Sunday Nov 10th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering E. S. E. at 2 P. M. made the land West Cape of New Zealand at 10 steered off to the S. E. at sundown took in sail
Middle and latter part strong winds from north ship heading to the west under short sail

Lat 46° 28' S.
Long 165° 09' E

Cruising for whales 1872

Monday Nov 11th

Commences with strong winds from north with hazy weather ship heading to the west under short sail at 6. P. M. wore ship to the East Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 7. A. M steered off to the Southward at meridian Solander Island bore N. N. E. 10 Miles dist at do luffed to the wind heading to the west

Tuesday Nov 12th

Commences with strong winds from north with hazy weather ship heading to the west under short sail at 1 P. M raised Sperm whales lost run of them weather being to rugged to keep run of them at do Solanders bore N. E. 15 miles dist at Sundown blowing a gale from north ship hove to under storm sails

Middle and latter part fresh gale from north with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the west no Obs

Wednesday Nov 13th

Commences with fresh gale from north with rain at 1. P. M the wind hauled to the South sudden blowing a gale at 6. P. M wore ship to the west latter part more moderate at 5. A. M wore ship and steered N. E. at 9. do raised two Sperm whales at 11. do lowered for them Solanders bearing N. E. 20 miles dist at meridian boats in chase of the whale

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Nov 14th
Commences with moderate breese from S.E. with fair weather boats in chase of the whales at 1 P.M. the starboard boat struck and got stove the other boats struck the whale and saved him at 5 we took the whale to the ship and commenced cutting Middle and latter part strong wind from South and rugged employed in cutting at meridian finished cutting and made sail
no Obs

Friday Nov 15th
Commences with strong wind from S.E. with squally weather Middle and latter part light breese with pleasant weather ship heading to the Eastward crew employed in boiling and cutting up the junk
Lat 46°31'S.
Long 165°28'E.

Saturday Nov 16th
Commences with light breese from South with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part strong wind from westward with cloudy weather ship steering different courses crew employed in boiling at meridian Solander bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Cruising off Solander 1872

Sunday Nov 17th

Commences with light gale from N. W. with hazy weather ship steering to the Eastward under short sail at 2 P. M. Solander bore north 15 miles dist Middle part the same latter part blowing fresh from S. W. with thick rainy weather at 5 A. M. passed Codfish Island 1 mile dist ship steering for Port William for shelter crew employed in boiling

Monday Nov 18th

Commences with fresh wind from S. W. and squally at 2 P. M. came to anchor in port William at 10 finished boiling latter part employed in coopering and stowing oil in the fore hold

Tuesday Nov 19th

Fine weather employed in stowing off the fore hold and blubber room

Wednesday Nov 20th

Commences with moderate breeze from the westward with pleasant weather at daylight got underway and worked to the westward through the Straits at meridian Saddle Point bore W. S. W. 10 miles dist

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Nov 21st

Commences with light variable winds with pleasant weather ship working to the westward capt employed in repairing the starboard boat At 10 A.M the wind hauled to the N.W. blowing a moderate gale with hazy weather ship heading to the S.W. at meridian Solander bore north 15 miles dist

Friday Nov 22nd

Commences with light gale from N.W. with foggy weather ship heading to the S.W. Saw a sail at midnight the wind hauled to the S.W. and moderated latter part calm with cloudy weather at 7 A.M raised sperm whales lowered for them the Larboard boat got a chance the boat steerer darted against the whale head didnt get fast so we didnt get anything Solander bearing N.N.E. 30 miles dist

Saturday Nov 23rd

Commences with calm with cloudy weather took the bow boat in and put her on the house
Middle part the same latter part light breeze from west with hazy weather ship heading to the north Rufus B. Chase went off duty venerial disease

Cruising off Solander 1872

Sunday Nov 24th

Commence with moderate breeze from west with hazy weather ship heading to the north at 6. P. M raised sperm whale lowered and got one to the starboard boat at 10 Solander bore N. E. 10 miles dist at 8.00 took the whale to the ship and made sail to tow the whale into the straits Middle and latter part wind the same ship steering for the straits with the whale alongside at Meridian rugged Point bore South 5 miles dist

Monday Nov 25th

Commence with strong wind from S. W. with clear weather ship steering to the Eastward under all sail with the whale in tow at 1. P. M the fluck chain parted luffed to and flucked the whale again at 10 the white rocks bore south an eighth of a mile the wind ~~ing~~ increasing to a heavy gale with strong whollys off the land took in all sail down to close reef topsails ship make slow headway towards Port William at 3. P. M. came to anchor off Port William with both anchors in seven fathoms of water the wind blowing a gale at daylight more moderate hooked on and commenced to cut

Tuesday Nov 26th

Commence with fresh gale from S. W. with cloudy weather employed in cutting at 2. P. M finished bailing the case and got over board started works and began to boil latter part more moderate at 3. A. M got under way and beat into Port William and came to anchor again employed in boiling

Bark. Matilda Sear

Wednesday Nov 27th

Commence with moderate weather latter part the same crew employed in boiling

Thursday Nov 28th

Commence with fine weather at 4 P.M finished boiling latter part weather the same employed in stowing oil in the fore hold

Friday Nov 29th

Commence with fine weather finished stowing off the hold

Saturday Nov 30th

Commence with fresh gale from N. W. with over cast weather Middle and latter part heavy rain at 12 A.M got underway with squally winds from Southwest Cane worked to the westward throught the Straits

Sunday Dec 1st

Commence with baffling breezes with cloudy weather ship working to the westward in the Straits Middle and latter part strong winds from west with hazy weather ship beating to the west under all beating sail at meridian Rugged Point bore W.S.W. 10 Miles dist

Cruising off Solander 1872

Monday Dec 2nd

Commences with strong winds from west with hazy weather and rugged ship beating to the west Middle and latter part blowing fresh with rain and squalls ship on opposite tacks under all bearing sail land on both sides of us at meridian was ship off the south side of the middle Island land 2 Miles dist

Tuesday Dec 3rd

Commences with a gale from west with squally rainy weather ship on opposite tacks under all bearing sail very heavy rugged sea rolling from the west at sundown Solander bore west 12 Miles dist
Middle and latter part blowing a gale from west with hard squalls ship on opposite tacks under all bearing sail laboring hard in the sea way saw a steamer steering to the East

Wednesday Dec 4th

Commences with a gale from west with heavy squalls and a large sea running ship on opposite tacks under all bearing sail at 5 P.M. Solander bore W.S.W. 8 Miles dist at do Barometer low and the weather looking treacherous Middle and latter part strong winds with squalls ship working to the westward at meridian Solander bore west 2 Miles dist

Barke Matilda Sears

Thursday Dec 5th

Commences with strong winds from west with cloudy weather and rugged ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all bearing sail Middle and latter part weather the same at meridian Solander bore North 15 miles dist Saw a sail Rufus B. Chase went to duty

Friday Dec 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks Middle and latter part moderate breeze weather the same at meridian Solander bore north 25 miles dist

Saturday Dec 7th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather ship on opposite tacks Middle and latter part the same at meridian Solander bore N. E. 35 miles dist

Sunday D 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the westward Middle and latter part weather the same ship on opposite tacks No Obs

Cruising off Solander 1872

Monday Dec 9th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the west at 2. P.M. the wind springing up to a gale sudden took in all sail but close reef main topsail took the craft out of the lee boats and turned them up. Middle part more moderate latter wind from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the N.E. Lat 47°:37' S. Long 166°:34' E.

Tuesday Dec 10th

Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. with hazy weather ship heading to the N.E. at 6. P.M. wore ship to the west at do South end of Stewards Island bore East 15 miles dist.
Middle part heavy squalls with variable weather latter part fresh breeze from west with hazy weather ship heading to the north at meridian Solander bore North 10 miles dist at do wore ship to the S.W.

Wednesday Dec 11th

Commences with strong winds from W.N.W. with hazy weather Ship on opposite tacks Middle and latter part moderate gale with squally weather at 10. A.M. wore ship to the S.W. at meridian Solander bore N.E. 15 miles dist

Bark B. Matilda Sears

Thursday Dec. 12th

Commences with moderate gale from west northwest with squally weather ship heading to the S.W. Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.W. with heavy swell ship on opposite tack saw a steamer and one sail at meridian raised sperm whale and lowered in chase at do Solander bore E. 15 miles dist

Friday Dec 13th

Commences with strong breezes from W.S.W. with heavy swell boats in chase of the whales got fast to the larboard boat and the larboard boat struck another whale lost it by the line getting foul of the boatsteerer at 6 P.M. took in whale to the ship put on three fluke chains and took him in tow for Port William at do Solander bore N.E. 5 miles dist Middle and latter part fresh breeze from west with fog squalls and heavy swell ship steering to the eastward with the whale in tow at meridian the wind moderated to light airs at do Saddle Point bore south 2 miles dist

Saturday Dec 14th

Commences with light airs from S.W. with fair weather ship steering for Port William bent the chains and got the anchors off the bow
Middle part light baffling weather at 10 P.M. came to anchor off Port William at daylight commenced cutting

Cruising off Solanders 1872

Sunday Dec 15th

Commences with fine weather employed in cutting at 4. P. M finished cutting and got underway at 8. o'c came to in Port William Started the works and commenced boiling latter part employed in boiling and setting up shooks

Monday Dec 16th

Commences with fine weather at dark had heavy shower cool down 3 hours and started the works again latter part fine employed in boiling.

Tuesday Dec 17th

Commences with fine weather at 6. P. M finished boiling latter part fine employed in boiling fat lean Coopering and stowing oil down the fore hold

Wednesday Dec 18th

Commences with over cast weather at 3. P. M commenced to rain latter part cloudy finished stowing the hold

Thursday Dec 19th

Commences with cloudy weather Middle part rain storm Middle part rain storm with a tempest latter part a gale from S. W. at 4 A. M got underaway under double reef topsails and beat to the westward at meridian tacked ship to the South Middle Island. 10 miles dist

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday Dec 20th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with clear weather ship heading to the west at 2 P. M. moderate to light airs at 5 do got a light breeze from the East ship steering W. by S. Middle part calm latter part light baffling airs at meridian Solander bore west 20 miles dist

Saturday Dec 21st

Commences with moderate breeze from westward ship by the wind on opposite tacks Middle and latter part the same ship working to the westward at meridian Solander bore N. by E. 20 miles dist

Sunday Dec 22nd

Commences with moderate breeze from north with hazy weather ship on opposite tacks at 11 P. M. the wind sprung up to a gale from north took in the fore topsail and hove to heading to the west

Monday Dec 23rd

Commences with fresh gale with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the west winds from north turned up the lee boats middle part the same latter part more moderate with heavy rain at day light wore ship to the Eastward

Cruising off Solander 1872

Tuesday Dec 24th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with rain and heavy swell at 6. P. M. wore ship to the west Middle and latter part variable winds with rain ship on different tacks at 11. A. M. the wind springing up from the north very sudden to a heavy gale hove the ship to heading to the west at noon took in the main topsail turned up the lee boats and secured every thing about deck

Wednesday Dec 25th

Commences with heavy gale from N with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the west under main spencer and fore topmast staysail at 2. P. M. the wind hauled to the N. W. still blowing hard at 6. do boarded a sea stove the weather side of the galley in Middle part moderated to light breeze with heavy swell latter part moderate breeze from North ship on different tacks at 5 A. M. the Snares bore E. S. E. 10 miles dist crew employed in rigging things up after the gale rove gallant braces and halyard main bunt lines and main topsail halyard Lat. 48° 04' S

Thursday Dec 26th

Commences with light breeze from north with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the west Middle and latter part fresh breeze ship on opposite tacks at 10 A. M. took in the light sail sails and double reefed the topsails Saw a ship steering to the East

Lat. 47° 37' S.
Long 164° 53' E.

Barke. Matilda Sears

Friday Dec 27th

Commences with light gale from North with hazy weather Ship by the wind heading to west At 10. A. M. the wind hauled to the west wore ship ship to the north latter part. Moderate breeze with hazy weather ship steering N. by E.

Lat. 26° 58' S.
Long 165° 38' E.

Saturday Dec 28th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with pleasant weather ship steering N. N. E. At 2. P. M raised sperm whales 3. Miles off the weather beam lowered for them but with out success At 10 Solanders bore N. E. 15 Miles dist latter part strong winds from north with hazy weather and rugged ship on different tacks Saw a sail

Sunday Dec 29th

Commences with strong winds from north with hazy weather and rugged ship on different tacks Middle and latter part light breeze weather the same Ship by the wind heading to the westward At 11. A. M. raised sperm whales lowered in chase At 10 Solanders bore N. E. 30 Miles dist

Cruising off Solanders 1872

Monday Dec 30th

Commences with a moderated breeze from the south with hazy weather, boats in chase at 2 P.M. the starboard boat struck the waist boat got stove in working on the whale and lost it by the whale taken to sounding and running and acting bad at 7 P.M. took the whale to the ship Middle part strong winds at 8.00 commenced cutting latter part moderate gale and rugged at meridian got the head off and finished cutting the body at 10 blowing a fresh gale from North with heavy swell and hazy weather ship laboring hard cutting at 10 wore ship to west weather to rugged to heave the head in let lay alongside Lat 47° 15' S.

Tuesday Dec 31st

Commences with a fresh gale from North with hazy weather ship hove to heading to the west with the whale head laying alongside at 7 P.M the head chain parted and lost the head had on the head the big anchor chain to hold with but it parted Middle part weather the same latter part calm with heavy swell started the works and before to boil Saw the Snares bearing S.E. Lat 47° 41' S.

Bark Matilda Sears

1878.

Wednesday January 1st

Commences with light breeze from north with hazy weather ship heading to the west Middle and latter part light baffling airs employed in boiling

Lat. 47° 38' S.

Thursday Jan 2nd

Commences with light airs from N.E. with pleasant weather ship heading to the north Middle and latter part strong winds and rugged wind from north ship heading to the west employed in stowing down oil in the fore hold

Lat. 47° 33' S.

Friday Jan 3rd

Commences with strong wind from west with hazy weather ship heading to the north Middle and latter part weather the same ship on different tacks Solander in sight at meridian Solander bore N.E. 15 miles dist

Saturday Jan 4th

Commences with strong breeze from N.W. with hazy weather Middle and latter part variable winds ship on opposite tacks at meridian Solander bore N.E. 15 miles dist

Cruiseing off Solanders 1878

Sunday Jan 5th

Commences with fresh breeze from South with clear weather Middle and latter part wind from S.E. Ship on opposite tacks at 7 A.M tacked to the S.W. at do Solanders bore N.E. 10 Miles dist

Monday Jan 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather Middle and latter part weather the same Ship steering different courses at meridian Solanders bore N.N.E. 25 miles dist

Tuesday Jan 7th

Commences with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather at 6 P.M the wind died away to a calm latter part wind from S.W. Ship steering different courses at meridian Solanders bore N.E. 15 miles dist

Wednesday Jan 8th

Commences with moderate breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather Ship heading to the west at 3 P.M raised Sperm whales lower for them but the weather came in thick and had to give up the chase Solanders bearing E. N.E. 20 Miles dist Middle and latter part moderate gale from S.E. with cloudy weather Ship on opposite tacks at meridian Solanders bore East 20 Miles dist

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Jan 9th Commences with moderate gale from S.E. with cloudy weather ship heading to the S.S.W. latter part strong breeze from South ship on opposite tacks saw a sail and a steamer at meridian Solander bore E. by N. 25 miles dist

Friday Jan 10th Commences with variable winds with squally weather Middle and latter part weather the same ship by the wind on opposite tacks saw one sail at meridian Solander bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Saturday Jan 11th Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with squally weather Middle and latter part variable weather ship steering different courses at meridian Solander bore E.N.E. 30 miles dist saw two sail

Sunday Jan 12th Commences with fresh breeze from S.W. with cloudy weather Middle and latter part variable weather ship steering different courses saw two sails at meridian Solander bore N.E. 25 miles dist

Cruising off Solanders 1873

Monday Jan 13th
Commences with fresh breeze from west with cloudy weather latter part fresh gale from north at 8 A.M. wore ship to the west at 10 Solanders bore E. N. E. 15 miles dist saw three sails.

Tuesday Jan 14th
Commences with moderate gale from north with rainy weather ship heading to the west. Middle part variable winds with rain and a tempest latter part fresh gale from S. W. wore ship to the W. N. W. at 3 A. M. took in the main topsail at 7 and set it again took the gear out of the starboard boat and turned it up
Lat. 46°50' S.
Long 165°25' E.

Wednesday Jan 15th
Commences with fresh gale from S W. with squally weather at 6 P. M. wore ship to the Southward Middle and latter part the same Saw Solanders bearing N. E. 30 miles dist saw two sails

Thursday Jan 16th
Commences with fresh gale from S. W. with squally weather ship heading to the Southward Middle and latter part wind from west with thick rain ship on opposite tack at meridian Solanders bore North 6. miles dist
Rufus. B. Chase went off duty with veneral deseases

Bark Matilda Sears

Friday Jan 18th Commences with a gale from the west with thick weather Middle and latter part wind from South with cloudy weather ship steering different courses saw one sail at meridian Solanders bore N. E. 30 miles dist

Saturday Jan 18th Commences with fine breeze from South with pleasant weather and heavy swell from west Spoke the Bark Calao latter part strong breeze from west with cloudy weather ship on opposite tacks at 9. A. M raised sperm whales going to the windward quick Lowerd for them but with out success whales going to fast to get to them Solanders bore N. E. by E. 20 miles dist

Sunday Jan 19th Commences with moderate gale from west with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the North at 4. P. M wore ship to the S. W. Middle and latter part wind from S. W. with squalls at 6. A. M wore ship to the N. W. set close reef topsails and fore sail at 10 Solanders bore S. E. 15 miles dist at meridian blowing fresh from S. W. with heavy squalls ship heading long with the land to the N. W. at 10 Chalky inlet bore N. E. 5 miles dist heavy sea rolling onto the land set the main sail jib and spanker all the ship would bear

Cruiseing off Solander 1873

Monday Jan 20th

Commence with fresh gale from S. W. with squally weather ship by the wind heading to the N. W. at 2. P. M passed the west Cape and steered off N. N. W. under close reef topsails and courses Middle and latter part weather the same at 6. A. M steered N. E.

Lat. 43° 39' S.
Long 167° 31' E.

Tuesday Jan 21st

Commence with fresh gale from S. W. with squally weather ship steering north under all bearing sail Middle and latter part strong breeze with cloudy weather

Lat. 40° 24' S.
Long 168° 48' E.

Wednesday Jan 22nd

Commence with moderate breeze from S. W. with cloudy weather ship steering course north under all baring sail latter part light breeze with pleasant weather crew employed in different jobs about the ship rove new fore and main topsail braces and gallant sheets Lat. 38° 46' S.
Long 169° 31' E.

Thursday Jan 23rd

Commence with light air from N. W. with pleasant weather ship heading to the northward Middle and latter part moderate breeze from north ship by the wind heading to the Eastward crew employed in different jobs about the ship scraped the mast down

Lat 38° 04' S.

Barke Matilda Sears

Friday Jan 24th

Commences with moderate breeze from north with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward latter part calm crew employed in washing paint work inside

Lat 37° 37' S.
Long 172° 35' E.

Saturday Jan 25th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather middle and latter part the same crew employed in washing paint work inside

Lat 37° 23' S.
Long 172° 31' E.

Sunday Jan 26th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather latter part variable airs with rainy weather ship working to the north

No Obs

Monday Jan 27th

Commences with variable winds with rainy weather ship steering to the north Middle and latter part strong breeze from South with cloudy weather ship steering N. by W. at 6. A. M. sighted the land bearing to the westward at Meridian Cape Maria Vandiemen bore South 5 miles dist at 10 luffed to the Eastward

Rufus B. Chase went to duty

Steering to the North 1873

Tuesday Jan 28th

Commence with strong breeze from South with rainy weather under a storm sail ship steering to the Eastward at 5 P. M passed North Cape 5 miles dist hauled by the wind heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S. W. with clear weather at 7 A. M passed Knoll Point at Meridian came to anchor abreast of the Monganui heads carryed away the fore gallant yard by clewing up the gallant sail

Wednesday Jan 29th

Fine weather employed in stowing the between decks and getting cask ready for water

Thursday Jan 30th

Fine weather employed in sending the sails down to paint the yards and painting the yards sent raft ashore and filled it

Friday Jan 31st

Commence with strong winds and clear weather got off the raft of water and stowed it finished painting the yards at night again storm with a gale from the East washed about all the paint off the yards

Saturday Feb 1st

rainy weather stowed off the after hold and finished stowing off the between decks
William Leslie went on duty

Bark M. Matilda Sears

Sunday Feb 2nd
raining weather wind
from the north

Monday Feb 3rd
Fine weather employed
in fitting sails rigging and blocks

Tuesday Feb 4th
Cloudy weather with
rain during the night employed in fitting
blocks and the head sails.

Wednesday Feb 5th
Strong winds from
S.E. with cloudy weather employed in
bending sails

Thursday Feb 6th
Strong breeze from S.E.
with rain employed in doing odd
jobs between showers

Friday Feb 7th
A gale from the East
with rain at midnight let go the second
Anchor at noon took it up again sent the
watch on liberty

Saturday Feb 8th
A gale from N.W.
with rain Sent the on liberty Frank Godline
and James Pratts

At Mongonui 1873

Sunday Feb 9th Fine weather

Monday Feb 10th Fine weather went up the river with two boats and got the potatoes and done other jobs about the ship

Tuesday Feb 11th Fine weather employed in getting the ship ready for sea carpenter employed in making anew gallant yard Edward Neal runaway

Wednesday Feb 12th Fine weather at daylight got underway and went out side of the heads and anchored sent up the new fore gallant yard and done other jobs about the ship George Bain went off duty with the venerial disease

Thursday Feb 13th head wind with a rain storm ship waiting for fair weather

Friday Feb 14th fresh breeze from west with clear weather at 6. A.M. Sea account got underaway and steered to sea stowed the anchors and chains and made every thing snug for sea and got ready for the passage home

Bark. Matilda Sears

Saturday Feb 15th

Commences with fine breeze from West with pleasant weather ship steering E. by N. under all drawing sail latter part calm At 10. A.M. the wind sprung up from the East fresh with rain squalls took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails George. Bain went on duty No. Obs

Sunday Feb 16th

Commences with light gale from E. S. E. with cloudy weather ship heading to the N. E. Middle and latter part the same.

Lat. 34°21' S,
Long 176°34' E.

Monday Feb 17th

Commences with strong winds from S. E. with fog squalls ship by the wind heading to the E. N. E. Middle part the same latter part more moderate crew employed in different jobs about the ship No Obs

Tuesday Feb 18th

Commences with light breeze from E. S. E. with pleasant weather at 1. P. M. wore ship to the South and set all sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze weather fine employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 35°32' S,
Long 177°02' E

Steering to the Eastward 1873

Wednesday Feb 19th.

Commences with moderate breeze from E.S.E. with pleasant weather ship heading to the South middle part the same latter part strong breeze from S.E. with cloudy weather at 11. A.M. raised sperm whales lowerd for them at noon boats in chase of the whales Lat. 36° 36' S.

Thursday Feb 20th

Commences with strong winds from S.E. with cloudy weather and rugged boats in chase of the whales got one to the waist boat at 3. P.M. took the whale along side and got ready for cutting hauled the water forward out of the blubber room and done other jobs that was required put two fluke chains onto the whale and let him lay untill morning latter part light gale from East with cloudy weather and very rugged so that we couldnt cut at daylight sighted the land to the westward set close reef main topsail and the storm sails ship heading to the north with the whale alongside at 7. A.M. set in thick and rainy lost sight of the land bearing west 25 Miles dist

Friday Feb 21st

Commences with strong winds from East with rainy weather and rugged ship heading to the Northward under close reef main topsail and storm sail with the whale alongside Middle and latter part wind the same with a rain storm at daylight wore ship to the South and commenced cutting

No Obs

Saturday Feb 22nd

Commence with strong wind from Southeast with a rain storm and heavy swell at sundown finished cutting and cleared the deck latter part wind from west light with clear weather steered East and set main gallant sail. cut the junk and commenced boiling saw a sail and the land bearing to the west
Lat 36°.46' S.

Sunday Feb 23rd

Commence with calm with clear weather Middle and latter part moderate breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks employed in boiling saw the land to the westward
Lat. 36°.48' S.

Monday Feb 24th

Commence with moderate breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the E. S. E. Middle and latter part wind the same ship on opposite tacks employed in boiling at meridian White Island bore to the southward 20. Miles dist at do finished boiling Lat. 37°. 04' S.
Long 177°. 02' E.

Tuesday Feb 25th

Commence with light breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the E. S. E.
Middle and latter part variable wind with fine weather ship by the wind working to the Eastward employed in stowing down oil between decks land insight East Cape bearing S. E. No Obs

Steering to the Eastward 1873

Wednesday Feb 26th
Commenced with moderate breeze from the Eastward ship by the wind & working to the Eastward
Middle and latter part the same land insight at meridian Cape East bearing S.S.W.

Thursday Feb 27th
Commenced with fresh breeze from East with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the southward
Middle part light air latter part moderate breeze from E.S.E. Saw the land to the westward
Lat. 39° 16' S.
Long 178° 37' E.

Friday Feb 28th
Commenced with light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the South under all sail
Middle part Calm latter part moderate breeze from S.E. Ship heading to the S.S.W.
Lat. 40° 26' S.

Saturday March 1st
Commenced with fresh breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.S.W. Middle and latter part light breeze from E.S.E. Ship heading South Saw the land to the westward Lat. 42° 08' S.

Barke. Matilda Sears

Sunday March 2nd

Commences with fresh breeze from E.N.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. under all sail Middle part the same latter part wind from E.S.E. with rainy weather ship heading to the South no Obs

Monday March 3rd

Commences with light breeze from the S.E. with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the Southward. Middle and latter part wind the same with clear weather at 4 P.M. wore ship to the Northeast

Lat. 24° 02' S.
Long 179° 21' W

Monday March 4th

Commences with strong winds from Eastward with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the northward Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from East ship on opposite tacks

Lat. 24° 38' S.
Long 179° 03' W

Tuesday March 5th

Commences with Moderate breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the S.E. Middle part wind from North ship steering E. took in the waist boat and put it on the house latter part Strong winds from N.W. Lat. 25° 21' S.

Steering to the Eastward 1878

Wednesday March 5th

Commence with strong winds from N.W. with cloudy weather ship steering E by N. At 1 P.M. the wind hauled suddenly to the S.W. in a squall with rain took in the light sails. Middle and latter part moderate gale from S.S.W. with squally weather ship steering E by N.

Lat 45°.18' S.
Long 180°.25' W

Thursday March 6th

Commence with moderate gale from South with squally weather ship steering E by N. under topsails and courses Middle and latter part the same

Lat. 45°.10' S.
Long 168°.23' E.

Friday March 7th

Commence with light gale from S.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading E.N.E. under double reef topsails Middle part the same latter part more moderate wind from S.S.E.

Lat. 44°.58' S.
Long 165°.27' E.

Saturday March 8th

Commence with fresh breeze from S.S.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward under all drawing sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from the same quarter

Lat 44°.57' S.
Long 160°.04 E.

Barke. Matilda Sears

Sunday March 9th.

Commence with moderate breeze from E.S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the N.E. Middle and latter part light breeze from East with cloudy weather lat. 44 S. Then tacked ship to the Southward

Lat. 44° 12' S.

Monday March 10th.

Commence with light breeze from East with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the South Middle and latter part wind the same with clear weather

Lat. 45° 34' S.
Long 159° 30' E.

Tuesday March 11th.

Commence with light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the South barometer very high up to 30.6 tenths Middle and latter part the same

Lat 46° 57' S.

Wednesday March 12th.

Commence with light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the South Middle and latter part light breeze from N.E. with fine weather ship by the wind heading to the E.S.E.

Lat. 47° 58' S.
Long 155° 26' E.

Steering to the Eastward 1873

Thursday March 13th

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with fine weather ship by the wind heading to the E.S.E. Middle and latter part wind the same with cloudy weather Sent up the royal yards and royals no Obs

Friday March 14th

Commences with light breeze from N.N.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part the same Saw three sails steering to the Eastward No Obs

Saturday March 15th

Commences with light breeze from N.E. with cloudy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward Middle and latter part wind from North weather the same Saw two sails No Obs

Sunday March 16th

Commences with moderate breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering E by N. under all sail bent the fore topmast studding sail and lower studding sails and set them Middle and latter part strong winds from N. W with hazy weather ship steering E by N. No Obs

Bark. Matilda Sears

Monday March 17th

Commences with fresh breeze from westward with rainy thick weather ship steering E. by N. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part light breeze with thick weather no obs

Tuesday March 18th

Commences with light breeze from west with thick weather ship steering E. by N. under all drawing sail latter part the same wind with clear weather

Lat. 49°53' S.
Long 133°53' E.

Wednesday March 19th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with clear weather ship steering E. by N. under all sail Middle and latter part light breeze from N. N. W. with hazy weather

Lat. 50°00'

Thursday March 20th

Commences with moderate breeze from North with hazy weather ship steering E. by N. under all sail Middle and latter part fresh breeze from the same quarter weather the same

Lat. 50°33' S.
Long 125°00' W

Steering to the Eastward 1873

Friday March 21st

Commence with fresh breeze from North with cloudy weather ship steering E. by N. under all sail. Middle and latter part light gale from N.N.W. with thick weather took in the royals ship steering E. by N.

No Obs

Saturday March 22nd

Commence with light gale from N.N.W. with thick rainy weather ship steering E. by N. under all steering sail. At 2 A.M. the wind hauled to the west and moderated to a light breeze latter part light airs from west with thick weather

Lat. 51° 39' S.

Sunday March 23rd

Commence with light airs from west with foggy weather ship steering E. by N. under all standing sail Middle and latter part wind from N.N.E. with thick weather

Lat. 52° 11' S.
Long 113° 00' W

Monday March 24th

Commence with fresh breeze from N.E. with foggy weather ship by the wind heading to the E.S.E. at sundown took in the t'gallant sails and double reefed the topsails Middle and latter part moderate gale from N.N.E. with rainy weather ship under double reef main topsail and fore sail at 10 A.M. the wind hauled to the N.N.W. and cleared away steered E.N.E. and set double reef fore topsail and main sail

Lat. 53° 10' S.
Long 110° 13' W

Barke Matilda Sears

Tuesday March 25th

Commences with light gale from N. N. W. with hazy weather Ship Steering E. N. E. under double reef topsails Middle part a gale from N. N. E. with rain and heavy sea Ship heading to the East at 9. A. M the wind hauled to the west with large sea from North Steered course E. N. E. under all bearing sail

Lat. 53°: 01' S.
Long 107°: 14' W

Wednesday March 26th

Commences with moderate gale from west with cloudy weather ship steering E. N. E. under all bearing sail Middle part wind from N. W. with rain latter part wind from west more moderate

Lat 53°: 53' S.
Long 102°: 45' W

Thursday March 27th

Commences with moderate breeze from west with clear weather and large sea ship steering E. N. E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part a gale from N. W. with squally weather Ship under all bearing sail

Lat. 54°: 10' S.
Long 96°: 55' W

Friday March 28th

Commences with fresh gale from N. W. with squally weather ship steering E. N. E. under all bearing sail Middle and latter part wind from west more moderate set all drawing sail

Lat. 54°: 22' S.
Long 91°: 07' W

Steering to the Eastward 1873

Saturday March 29th

Commences with fresh breeze from west with clear weather ship Steering E.N.E. under all drawing sail Middle part the wind hauled to the North with cloudy weather took in the light sails latter part blowing a gale double reefed the topsail and took in the main sail at 11. A. M. the wind hauled to the N. W. blowing fresh

Lat. 54°. 49' S.
Long 85°. 55' W

Sunday March 30th

Commences with fresh gale from west with squally weather ship steering E. by N. under all drawing sail latter part wind more moderate from N. W. with clear weather ship under all drawing sail Lat. 55°. 11' S.
Long 80°. 33' W

Monday March 31st

Commences with light gale from North with hazy weather ship steering course E. by N. ½ N. took in the light sails Middle part fresh gale from North with thick weather Ship hove to heading to the East latter part more moderate wind from N. N. W. ship steering E. N. E. under all drawing sail Lat. 55°. 50' S.
Long 77°. 14' W

Tuesday ~~March~~ April 1st

Commences with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather and heavy sea Ship steering E. N. E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part wind from N. W. at 10. A. M. the wind hauled to the west

Lat. 56°. 07' S.
Long 71°. 33' W

Bark Matilda Sears

Wednesday April 2nd

Commence with light gale from west with hazy weather ship steering E. by N. Middle part wind the same latter part wind from N.N.W. ship steering by the wind to the N.E. at daylight made the land Cape Horn bore North 25 miles dist

Lat 55° 51' S.
Long 65° 30' W

Thursday April 3rd

Commence with fresh breeze from North with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the Eastward saw three vessels going to the westward Middle and latter part wind more moderate ship by the wind heading to East

no Obs

Friday April 4th

Commence with light breeze from northwest with cloudy weather at 6 P.M. the wind hauled to the South steered course N. by E. Middle and latter part moderate breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering N. by E. saw a sail

Lat 53° 34' S.
Long 60° 21' W

Saturday April 5th

Commence with light breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering N. by E. under all drawing sail Middle and latter part moderate breeze from North ship by the wind heading to the East saw a sail to the leeward

Lat 52° 59' S.
Long 56° 53' W

Steering to the North in the South. Atlantic 1873

Sunday April 6th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the East at sundown Latter part wind the same with rainy weather
No Obs

Monday April 7th

Commences with moderate breeze from North with thick weather ship by the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 10. P. M wore ship to the westward
No Obs

Tuesday April 8th

Commences with Moderate breeze from North with thick raining weather ship by the wind heading to the westward at 7. P. M wore ship to the East

Latter part light gale from N. N. W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the N. E. under all bearing sail
No Obs

Wednesday April 9th

Commences with light gale from N. N. W. with hazy weather ship by the wind heading to the N. E at 2. P. M the wind hauled to the W. N. W. ship heading to the North Middle and latter part Moderate gale from W. N. W. Ship steering N. by. E at Meridian took in sail and hove to heading to the N. N. W.
No Obs

Bark C. Matilda Sears

Thursday April 10th

Commences with Moderate gale from West with Squally weather at 1 P. M steered off course N. by E. under close reef main topsail and fore sail at 8 o/c the wind increased to a heavy gale took in the fore sail and main topsail and hove to heading to the N. W. turned up the Starboard boat heavy sea running latter part more moderate at daylight wind from S. W. Steered course N. by W. and set all drawing sail parted the jib and flying jib jumpers during the gale

Lat 48° 01' S.
Long 50° 56' W

Friday April 11th

Commences with light breeze from west with clear weather ship steering N. by W. Middle part fresh breeze from Eastward with squalls ship heading to the northward latter part variable winds with heavy sea running

Lat. 46° 55' S.
Long 51° 17' W

Saturday April 12th

Commences with variable winds with squalls at 2 P. M Sprung up a fresh gale from S. W. with cloudy weather ship steering course N. by W under all drawing sail Middle and latter part light gale from South

Lat. 44° 11' S.
Long 50° 20' W

Steering to the North in the South Atlantic 1873

Thursday April 13th

Commence with strong winds from South with squally weather ship steering course under all drawing sail at 2 P.M. carried away the fore topmast studding sail boom Middle and latter part strong gale from South rolled the Starboard boat down and stove it to pieces

Lat. 41° 08' S.
Long 43° 00' W

Monday April 14th

Commence with strong gale from South with squally weather ship steering course N. by W. under all drawing sail Middle part more moderate latter part variable winds with squalls ship working to the north put the jib and flying jib jumpers on and set up the back ropes

Lat. 38° 20' S.
Long 47° 40' W

Tuesday April 15th

Commence with variable winds with heavy squalls ship by the wind working to the North at 3 P.M the wind sprung up from the west strong ship steering N. by W under all bearing sail Middle and latter part strong winds from S. W. with pleasant weather

Lat 35° 29' S.
Long 46° 11' W

Wednesday April 16th

Commence with fresh breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering course under all drawing sail Middle part light airs latter part calm put out the waist boat and a new Starboard boat on the crane

Lat 33° 56' S.

Bark. Matilda Sears Steering

Thursday April 17th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part Moderate breeze from North ship by the wind heading to the westward saw two sails ~~stead~~ steering to the South
no obs.

Friday April 18th

Commences with fresh breeze from North with rainy weather ship by the wind heading to the westward under easy sail Middle and latter part light variable winds and calms crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 32° 30' S.

Saturday April 19th

Commences with light airs and calms ship by the wind working to the north Middle and latter part light airs from the Eastward ship heading to the North employed in repairing the jib and fore gallant sail saw a steamer steering to the North
Lat. 31° 57' S.
Long 47° 31' W.

Sunday April 20th

Commences with Moderate breeze from S.E. with fair weather ship steering course N.E. by E. under all sail Middle and latter part strong winds from the East with cloudy weather ship heading N.N.E.
Lat. 29° 12' S.
saw Two sails
Long 46° 13' W

At the North in the South Atlantic 1873

Monday April 21st

Commence with strong winds from E.N.E. Ship by the wind heading to the North Middle part wind from N.W. latter part wind from South fresh ship steering N.E. by E. under all drawing sail crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 26° 56' S
Long 42° 19' W

Tuesday April 22nd

Commence with strong breeze from South with pleasant weather ship steering N.E. by E. Middle and latter part moderate breeze from S.E. with fine weather crew employed in fitting the rigging

Lat. 25° 07' S.
Long 42° 15' W

Wednesday April 23rd

Commence with light breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the north Middle and latter part wind from north west ship by the wind heading to the East crew employed in rattling down and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 24° 15' S.
Long 41° 16' W

Thursday April 24th

Commence with moderate breeze from Northward ship by the wind heading to the East Middle and latter part wind from S.W. ship steering Course N.E. by N. crew employed in ratling down and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 22° 33' S
Long 40° 03' W

Bark Matilda Sears Steering

Friday April 25th

Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering N.E. Saw black fish lowered and got one Middle and latter part wind from S.E. crew employed in rattling down and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 20°.38' S.
Long 39°.05' W.

Saturday April 26th

Commences with light breeze from E.S.E. with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the North At Sundown saw the land bearing to the west saw a steamer and two sails Middle and latter part wind the same Crew employed in ship duty Lat. 19°.03' S.

Sunday April 27th

Commences with calm weather pleasant boarded a Brazilian man of war Middle part light airs from East latter part Calm

Lat. 18°.85' S.

Monday April 28th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather middle and latter part light breeze from N.E. ship by the wind heading to the N.W. at 10 A.M. tacked ship to the Eastward at 10 the land in sight bearing to the west saw two sails. crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Lat. 17°.22' S
Long 38°.43' W.

Tuesday April 29th 1873

Commence with light airs from North Ship by the wind heading to the East
Middle and latter part the same
crew employed in different jobs about the ship saw a steamer steering to the South

Lat 17°.06' S.
Long 37°.52' W

Wednesday April 30th

Commence with light breeze from North with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the East
Middle part headed to the West latter part to the East crew employed in fitting the rigging and doing other jobs about the ship
Saw two sails

Lat 16°.45' S.
Long 37°.35' W

Thursday May 1st

Commence with light breeze from North with pleasant weather ship heading to the East Middle and latter part wind from Eastward ship heading to the North crew employed in fitting the rigging

Lat 15°.39' S.
Long 37°.19' W

Friday May 2nd

Commence with fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather ship by the wind heading to the North
Middle and latter part wind from E. S. East with fine weather ship heading N. E. crew employed in setting up the rigging and fitting it

Lat. 13°.41' S.
Long 36°.44' W

Bark Matilda Sears Steering to

Saturday May 3rd Commences with fresh breeze from E.S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering N.E. by N. Middle and latter part wind the same crew employed in ship duty saw three sails
Lat. 11° 16' S.
Long 35° 55' W

Sunday May 4th Commences with fresh breeze from E.S.E. ship steering N.E. under all sails Middle and latter part wind from S.E. squally ship steering N.E. by E. saw one sail
Lat. 9° 12' S.
Long 34° 27' W.

Monday May 5th Commences with fresh breeze with squally weather ship steering North at 4 P.M. sighted the land bearing to the west at sundown took in the light sails Middle and latter part wind and weather the same at 8 A.M came to anchor at Pernambuco crew employed in different jobs about the ship

Tuesday May 6th Commences with strong breezes and rugged crew employed in different jobs about the ship.

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Wednesday May 7th

Commences with moderate breeze from South at 6 P.M. Sea account got underway and steered to sea latter part wind the same ship steering to the North crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw two sails Lat 6° 54' S.
Long 34° 15' W

Thursday May 8th

Commences with moderate breeze from South ship steering to the North middle and latter part the same Saw two sails.
broke out the after hold took out the fresh water and stowed it full of salt water
Lat. 4° 40' S.

Friday May 9th

Commences with light breeze from S.S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering North latter part calm finished stowing off the water between decks and done other jobs in the hold
Lat. 3° 39' S

Saturday May 10th

Commences with calm with pleasant weather middle part the same latter part light breeze from west ship heading to the North crew employed in different jobs about the ship Saw one sail
Lat. 3° 07' S.

Sunday May 11th

Commences with light breeze from west with rain ship steering to the North middle and latter part light variable winds and calm with heavy rain showers carried away the head of the main Top Gt royal mast

Bark. Matilda Sears Steering

Monday May 12th
Commences with
light airs and calm, with rain
latter part light airs from South with
cloudy weather ship steering N. by E.
Sent down the main gallant mast
and found the head off the royal mast
rotten employed in making a new
mast Lat. 1° 4' S

Tuesday May 13th
Commences
with light airs and calms with
cloudy weather ship steering N. by E.
Middle and latter part variable winds
with rain ship working to the north
finished the new gallant mast sent
it up and stayed it and sent the gallant
yard aloft Lat. 21 miles S.
Long 35° 25' W

Wednesday May 14th
Commences
with light variable winds with
cloudy weather Middle and latter part
the same crew employed in ship's duty
Sent up the main royal yard Lat. 7 miles N
Long 35° 10' W

Thursday May 15th
Commences with
light breeze from N.E. with clear
weather ship heading to the northwest
latter part fresh breeze and cloudy
crew employed in tarring down
no Obs

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Friday May 16th 1873

Commences with fresh breeze from N. E. with fair weather ship by the wind heading to the N. W. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in taring down and doing other jobs about the ship.

Lat. 3° 06' N
Long 39° 11' W

Saturday May 17th

Commences with moderate breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather ship heading to the N. W. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in taring down

Lat 4° 43' N
Long 42° 01' W

Sunday May 18th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. E. with pleasant weather ship steering course N. W. by N. Middle and latter part the same.

Lat. 7° 17' N.
Long 44° 25' W

Monday May 19th

Commences with strong winds from N. E. ship steering N. W. by N. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in taring down and doing other jobs about the ship

Lat. 9° 50' N
Long 46° 42' W

Bark. Mattilda Sears Steering

Tuesday May 20th.
Commences with fresh breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering N.W. by N. Middle and latter part more moderate crew employed in painting the spars
Lat. 11°53' N
Long 48°30' W

Wednesday May 21st.
Commences with fine breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather Ship steering N.W. by N. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in painting spars
Lat. 13°57' N.
Long 50°53' W

Thursday May 22nd
Commences with moderate breeze from E.N.E. with pleasant weather Ship steering N.W. by N. latter part light variable winds with rain squalls crew employed in washing ship on side
Lat. 15°52' N.
Long 52°22' W

Friday May 23rd
Commences with light variable winds with rain squalls ship heading to N.W. at sun down took a good breeze from East steered N.W. by N. Middle and latter part fresh breeze from East crew employed in washing ship inside saw one sail
Lat 17°38' N.
Long 54°02' W

To the North in the North Atlantic 1873

Saturday May 24th
Commence with fresh breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. W. by N. Middle and latter part the same employed in painting Ship inside
Lat. 19°.43' N
Long 55°.53' W

Sunday May 25th
Commence with Moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. W. by N. Middle and latter part the Same Lat 21°.48' N
Long 58°.02' W

Monday May 26th
Commence with Moderate breeze from E. S. E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. W. under all drawing sail crew employed in painting Ship inside
Lat 23°.42' N
Long 60°.14' W

Tuesday May 27th
Commence with Moderate breeze from E. S. E. with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. W. ½ N. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in painting inside and the yards
Lat. 25°.05' N
Long 62°.01' W

Bark E. Matilda Sears Steering

Wednesday May 28th Commences with light breeze from E.S.E. with fine weather ship steering N.W.½N. Middle and latter part the same employed in painting ship out side
Lat. 26°24' N
Long 63°00' W

Thursday May 29th Commences with light breeze from S.E. with fine weather ship steering N.W.½.N. Saw a sail. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in painting the spars
Lat. 27°20' N
Long 64°24' W

Friday May 30th Commences with light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering N.W.½N. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 28°26' N
Long 65°26' W

Saturday May 31st Commences with light breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering course N.W.½.N. Middle and latter part the same crew employed in painting
Lat 29°29' N

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Sunday June 1st
Commences with light airs from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering courses N.W.½N. Middle and latter part the same Lat. 30° 15' N
Long 67° 22' W

Monday June 2nd
Commences with light airs and calms with pleasant weather ship steering course N.W.½N. Middle and latter part wind from north ship by the wind heading to the westward crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 31° 00' N
Long 68° 25' W

Tuesday June 3rd
Commences with light breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather Ship by the wind heading to the N.N.W. Middle and latter part lights airs and calm crew employed
Lat. 31° 19' N
Long 69° 20' W

Wednesday June 4th
Commences with calm with pleasant weather Middle and latter part the same crew employed in different jobs about the ship
Lat. 31° 28' N
Long 69° 35' W

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Thursday June 5th

Commences with light breeze from South with pleasant weather Ship Steering N. by W. Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S. W. with squally weather Lat 33° 52' N
Long 70° 38' W

Friday June 6th

Commences with Strong breeze from S. W. with hazy weather Ship Steering N. ½ W. under all sail latter part variable winds with squalls thunder and lighting saw number of sails
Lat. 36° 14' N
Long 70° 15' W

Saturday June 7th

Commences with light baffling winds with squalls ship working to the North latter part the same
Lat. 37° 29' N
Long 70° 13' W

Sunday June 8th

Commences with fresh breeze from N. W. with cloudy weather Ship bye the wind heading to the N. E. at 6. P. M. tacked ship to the west Middle part wind from North Ship on opposite tacks latter part light gale from North Ship under short sail saw a number of vessels
Lat. 38° 28' N

Steering to the North in the N. Atlantic 1878

Monday June 9th

Commences with moderate gales from North with cloudy weather ship hove to heading to the west under double reef main topsail and foresail. Latter part more moderate wind from the North ship by the wind on opposite tacks

Lat 39° 09' N
Long 71° 56' W

Tuesday June 10th

Commences with Calm with pleasant weather at 10. P.M got a light breeze from S. W. ship steering N. by E. Saw a number of sails

Lat. 40° 42' N
Long 71° 35' W

Wednesday June 11th

Commences with light breeze from S. W. with hazy weather ship steering N. N. E. at 4. P. M made Block Island bearing North 8. Miles dist at Sundown got the anchors off the bows and took in the light sails

At. the Bay of Islands
March 1871
Shipped for home
18009 gallons of
sperm Oil
and 665 pounds of whale
bone

Oil Sold on the voyage

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March 22nd 1871
discharged and Sold
1191 gallons of Sperm oil

April 16th 1871
Sold 12 gallons of Sperm
oil

Nov 3rd 1871 at Hobart Town
land 1728 gallons of whale
oil to be Sold

Nov 4th 1871
Shipped to England
4974 gallons
of Sperm Oil

June 10th 1872
Sold 32 gallons of
Sperm oil

Sept 18th 1872
discharged and Sold
at Hobart Town
8929 gallons of Sperm Oil
and 110 do " whales "

Slush made on the voyage

Sept 13th 1870
4 bbls Slush
Feb 20th 1871
1 bbls Slush
June 21st 1 bbls Sluch
Aug 3rd 1 " "
Sept 4th 1 " "
Oct 18th 1 " "
Feb 30th 1872
1 bbls Slush
March 10th 1 bbls Slush
April 18th 1 — —
May 31st 1 — —
July 25th 1 — —
Aug 26th 1 — —
Dec 12th 1 — —
Feb. 12th 1 — —
March 23rd 1 — —
May 30th 1 — —

Oil Stowed on the Voyage

April 19th 1870
OH
190
230 230
total 650 galls

Oct. 13th
190 OH
130
130 230
130 290
170 240
130 190
210 850
130
1220 total 65 bbls 22 galls

Oct. 19th
Whale Oil
130
130
130
190
190
190
170
240
230
240
1840 total 58 bbls 13 galls

Oct. 25th
240 OH
190 210
290 290
250 150
260 260
260 910
210
240
110
2050 total 93 bbls. 30 galls

Nov 7th Whale Oil
170
130
110
240
170
218
240
288
190
290
240
240
170
2696 total 85 bbls. 18 galls

Nov 17th 1870
Sperm Oil
170
240
170
170
190
190
240
240
130
150
280
150
2320 total 73 bbls. 20 galls

Dec 26th
Sperm Oil
102
102
188
266
260
215
190
total 42 bbls.

Jan 2nd 1871
Sperm Oil
240
118
120
260
288
150
260
262
260
total 62 bbls. 05 galls

Jan 7th
Sperm Oil
287
240
179
200
240
290
189
119
243
186
260
237
196
total 98 bbls. 18 galls

Jan 12th
Sperm Oil
190
192
259
240
240
221
185
169
177
210
136
152
260
250
202
230
262
230

total 112 bbls. 19 galls.

Account of Oil Stowed on one voyage

Jan 30th 1871

Sperm Oil
290
195
290
300
120
170
179
102
190
250
135
220
220
170

total 93 bbls 7 galls

Sperm whale Oil
Jan 31st
110
190
106
200
260
140
192
218
265
255
156
238
128
218
219

total 93 bbls 15 galls

Feb 12th

Sperm oil
189
217
100
198
120
120
77
116
190
240
104
134
217
196

2138

217
220
240
110
196
217
170
141
175
220
226
220
188
120
133

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total 154 bbls 29 galls

June 21st
Sperm Oil
218
199
118
203
240
283
234

1499 total 47 bbls

Jan 26th 1872
130
190
266
220
200
246
260
190
200
248
289
200

total 83 bbls 24 gallon

March 25th
220
240
260
118
250
175
138
220
210

total 58 bbls 4 galls

April 24th
249
240
189
190
130
260
209
210
190
120
190
280

total 84 bbls 1 gall

May 29th
228
220
238
196
200
173
120
198
211
192
286
240

total 89 bbls 4 galls

Account of Oil Stowed on the voyage

Nov 19th 1872
220
264
220
170
175
120
240
264
197
280
120
280
200
150

total 92 bbls 22 galls

Nov 28th
220
240
218
170
190
130
130
190
290
190
200
200
190
198
130
138

total 96 bbls

Dec 18th
180
240
260
310
170
190
130
215
170
100
200
200
260
187
100
100
196

total 101 bbls 26 galls

Jan 2nd 1873
5 tierces, oil
110 gallons
90
170
290
290
170
190
190
190

total 52 bbls 52 galls

Feb 26th
170
110
170
260
130
150
168
220
170
120
130
260
130
170
310

total 84 bbls 22 galls

Account of Provisions used on the Voyage

		Bread Gallons
Sept 6th	1869	242
Oct 12th		169
Jan 11th	1870	189
March 4th		266
April 23rd		240
May 27th		287
July 1st		266
Aug 12th		287
Oct 5th		295
Nov 17th		288
Jan 13th	1871	262
Feb 13th		220
" "		190
May 21st		240
July 3rd		280
Aug 26th		262
Dec 1st	1872	260
Jan 15th		260
April 5th		286
July 10th		260
Sept 5th		290
Oct 28th		243
Dec 13th		230
Dec 28th		260
March 15th		260

Account of Provisions on the Voyage

Flour

Aug 20th 1869	3 bags
Sept 2nd	2 ″
″ ″ 18th	2 ″
Oct 15th	5 bbls
Dec 21st	5 ″
March 11th 1870	5½ ″
June 6th	5 ″
Aug 17th	5 ″
Sept 25th	23 bags
Jan 3rd 1871	28 ″
Feb 17th	4 bbls
March 17th	2½ bags
June 10th	28 ″
Aug 26th	28 ″
Dec 8th 1872	30
March 1st	5½ bbls
April 9th	5½
May 18th	5½
July 20th	28 bags
Augt. 1st	5 Barrels
Dec 28th	6 bags Hobart Town Flour
March 15th	5½ bbls
May 15th	4 bags Hobart Town Flour

Account of Provisions used on the voyage

	Beef	Pork
Aug 11th 1869	1	1
" 19th	1	
" 27th	1	1
Sept 2nd	1	
" 11th	1	1
" 21st	1	
" 24th	1	1
Oct. 6th	1	
" 12th	1	1
" 19th	1	
" 25th	1	1
" 30th	1	
Nov. 6th	1	1
" 11th	1	
" 17th	1	1
" 24th	1	
" 29th	1	1
Dec 4th	1	
" 9th	1	1
" 16th	1	
" 22nd	1	1
" 27th	1	
Jan 1st 1870	1	1
" 9th	1	
" 13th	1	4
" 20th	1	
" 27th	1	
Feb. 3rd	1	
" 22nd landed	2	
March 8th	1	
" 14th	1	
" 23rd	1	1
" 30th	1	
April 5th	1	4½
" 12th	1	
" 19th	4	
May 10th	1	
" 12th	5	4¾
June 17th	1	
" 18th	5	4¼
July 14th	4	1
" 25th		
Aug " th	5	4½

	Beef	Pork
Aug	4½	
Oct. 9th	1	
" 14th	5	
" 27th	5	5½
Nov 18th	4½	
Dec 3rd	2	1
" 10th	1	
" 14th	1	
" 19th	1	
" 22nd	1	1
" 27th	1	
" 31st		1
Jan 4th 1871	1	1
" 10th	1	1
" 12th	4½	
" 20th		1
Feb. 5th	5	5
" 20th	4½	
April 12th	5	
" 18th	4½	
May 13th		4½
June 2nd	5	
" 29th	4¾	5
July 18th	5	
Aug 3rd		1
" 17th	5	4¼
Sep 4th		1
" 14th	5	
Oct 4th	4½	4½
Dec 1st	4½	
Dec 27th	5	5
Feb. 10th	6½ 1872	1
" 26th	1	3½
" 27th		1
March 15th	4½	
~~Apr 2nd~~	~~4~~	~~6~~
April 2nd	4	6
" 17th	5	
May 3rd	5	
" 31st	9	
July 10th	3 tierce beef	
" " "		1
" 27th	3 tierce beef	

Account of Provisions used on the voyage

Pork.

Jan 31st 4 barrels
May 3rd 4 " — "

Beef

~~Aug 1st~~
Aug 14th 3 tierce of beef
Sept. 10th 1 " — " — "
Oct 14th 3 " — " — "
Nov 4th 4 " — " — "
" 29th 4 " — " — "
Dec 18th 4 " — " — "
Jan 16th 3 "1873" — "
" 31st 2 " — " — "
Feb 13th 1 " — " — "
March 7th 3 " — " — "
April 3rd 3 " — " — "
" 28th 3 " — " — "
May 9th 5 " barrels